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Hometown newspaper of Susie Cabaniss

4 in a row! Academic team takes Regional Championship

Salado High's UIL Academic Team made it four-in-a-row, winning the Region IV-AA Championship with 212 points.

San Antonio Cole High took second place with 90 points total.

The One Act Play, "The Shadow Box," took first place and qualified for the State Meet. See related story on the play, this issue.

Four teams took first place in academic contests: Number Sense, Calculator, Mathematics and Spelling.

The Number Sense team of Chris Ray, Gregory Dachs and Miles Wallace placed first, second and third, respectively in the individual contest. Their individual scores gave the Salado team first in that contest.

Dachs and Sara Culver tied for first in Calculator, while Clint Marshall was third place. Their scores gave Salado's team first in the contest.

Dachs also took first in the Mathematics Contest. Culver was third and Devon Rex was sixth. Their combined scores gave

Salado first in the contest.

Jon Teer placed second in the Spelling contest, while Stacy Blodgett was fourth and Kelli Cook was sixth. The three combined to placed first as a team.

Culver was also third place in Literary Criticism competition.

Ashley Kelley won the Computer Applications contest, while Jeremiah Bradhurst was sixth place.

Salado High will compete at the State Academic Meet May 4-5 at the University of Texas at Austin.

Competitors who place in the top three in individual contests and members of teams that win an academic contest qualify for the State Meet.

Salado will send 11 to the State Meet in individual and team competition, in addition to the 16 member cast and crew of the One Act Play.

The squad won last year's State Academic Championship. This is the fourth consecutive year Salado has won the Regional Academic Championship.

'The Shadow Box' rules Regionals

The Salado High School Production of "The Shadow Box" continued its winning ways by advancing as the best show out of their Regional competition and will now join seven other High Schools in the State Finals. The state finals will be held at the University of Texas on Friday May 4th. Specific times and ticket information were not available at press time but for more information all interested parties are requested to phone Salado High School at 947-5429.

"This incredible group of students have accomplished what no other theatrical group has ever done in the history of the Salado Independent School District. At each level of competition they have earned more honors and awards than any other production mounted by our school."

The various judges have singled out three different actresses as 'Best'. First it was Hope Buchanan, then Adria Raley and most recently Mandy Tsosie for their creative efforts in this ensemble effort. The critic judge at the Regional competition stated, 'I could have picked any member of this cast and they would have been deserving of the All-Star Award,' and I couldn't agree more." said a very proud faculty director Gary Askins.

The Regional Final was held in San Marcos on April 19th and the six one act plays were shown back to back in a marathon of High School drama. The Salado High cast and crew won not only the Best Actress Award by Tsosie but also were honored by Caleb Thompson and Josh

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Emergency responders strap in a tornado victim during a training incident April 21 at Salado schools.
(PHOTOS BY TIM FLEISCHER)



Chris Ledbetter gets hosed down April 21 after a "chemical spill" in the Science Lab during a training incident for area emergency personnel.

Help!

The call went out at 11 a.m. April 21 with local firefighters, emergency medical technicians and EMT trainees responding to a "tornado" at Salado High School. While the sirens and flashing lights in the parking lot of Salado schools were real enough to draw lookers-on, the emergency call was not real. Salado ISD, Salado Volunteer Fire Department, the Bell County Sheriff's Department, Medivac, and the Temple College EMS Professions Department conducted a disaster management exercise April 21 at Salado High School.

The exercise helped prepare local school and emergency services personnel to respond more effectively during incidents.

Turnout dismal so far in elections

Saladoans are feeling election fatigue and staying home in droves in the first few days of early voting. As of presstime April 23, only 69 have cast ballots in any of the three elections up for question this spring.

Early voting continues through May 1 in three local elections, including a bond election of two propositions totaling \$1.3 million.

On the ballot are Proposition A, which totals \$675,000, and Proposition B, which totals \$650,000.

According to Salado ISD Supt. Robin Battershell, the payout schedule on Proposition A will be 15 years and will increase property tax rate by 3.04¢ per \$100 evaluation.

Payment on Proposition B will be 15 years. It has been predicted to increase property taxes by 2.98¢ per \$100 evaluation.

Together, the Propositions will require a 6¢ per \$100 evaluation tax increase.

Voters will decide two three-year positions on the Salado Independent School

District board of trustees. Frank Carlson and Carse Williams are seeking reelection. Jackie Burson and Lisa McQueen also filed for the two at-large positions on the school board.

A voter can choose one or two names on the ballot for whom to vote.

Salado Public Library will also hold an election, though incumbents Susan Shobe and Lynn Epps currently face no opposition.

Salado aldermen cancelled the Village election because only five people

filed for the five open slots on the Board: Vic Means, Raymond Carver, Jackie Mills, Michael Cooper and Rick Ashe. Mayor Charlotte Douglass was unopposed for her position, as was Marshal Alan Rogers.

Polls will be open for early voting 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays through May 1 at the Salado Civic Center. Early voting polls will be open until 7 p.m. on April 25.

Election day voting will be 7 a.m.-7 p.m. May 5 at the Salado Civic Center on Main St.

What's happening around here?

APRIL 28

Grand opening of the Salado Hall 751 N. Stagecoach Rd. 8-10 p.m.

6th Annual Gospel Festival 6 p.m. at Tablerock.

APRIL 29

Cooking Class at The Range 3:30 p.m. "A Spring Affair".

MAY 3

Cooking class at The Range 9:30 a.m. "Barbe-

cue".

MAY 5

Salado Country Opry at the Salado Hall. \$8 adults/\$3 children.

MAY 6

Cooking class at The Range 3:30 p.m. "Wine Pairing Dinner".

Salado Fire Department auction at Bo's Barn. Lunch 12:30 p.m. \$5; Auction 3 p.m.

First Baptist dedication service 2 p.m. Historical Marker dedication 4 p.m. Open house 4 p.m. Musical 6 p.m.

MAY 7

Salado Lions Club Annual Golf Tournament. Four person scramble. Lunch at 11 a.m. at Salado Lions Park. Tee-off at 1 p.m. at Mill Creek. Lots of prizes. \$50 per player. Call 947-8300 for more information and registration forms.

MAY 8

ABWA Chisholm Trail Chapter 6 p.m. social, 6:30 p.m. meeting "Volunteering Opportunities" presented by MaryBelle Brown 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

Cooking class at The Range 9:30 a.m. "Cooking Class with John Bay".

Ladies Auxiliary luncheon 11 a.m. at Civic Center. Cost \$5.

MAY 12

Salado Strutters Annual Spring Show 6 p.m. at the Intermediate Commons area.

MAY 17

Salado Historical Society general membership meeting 7 p.m. at Civic Center.

MAY 20

Cooking class at The Range 3:30 p.m. "Dinner Party".

MAY 21

Salado H.S. Band carwash 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Brookshire Brothers.

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.

Time and places to be announced.

JUNE 12

ABWA Chisholm Trail Chapter 6 p.m. social 6:30 p.m. meeting presented by Crystal Mears "Utilizing the Internet" at Texas Roadhouse B&B on Van Bibber Lane Dinner \$10 Reservations: 947-0561

JULY 10

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

JULY 21

Salado Legends performance at Tablerock

JULY 28

Salado Legends performance at Tablerock

AUGUST 4

Salado Legends performance at Tablerock

AUGUST 4-5

35th Annual Salado Art Fair in Pace Park. For more information call 947-5040.

AUGUST 17-18

"Razzle Dazzle" 8 p.m. at the Salado Middle School Auditorium. Sponsored by the Salado Chamber of Commerce.

OCTOBER 12-13

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

Nov. 30 - Dec. 11

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

THE BEAT

Democrats hold quarterly meet

The Bell County Democratic women will hold its quarterly meeting 7 p.m. April 30 at the Bell County North Annex (USDA Service Center), 1605 N. Main St. in Belton.

County Chairman Bobby Grant will preside. There will be discussions of Party plans and business. All county Democrats are invited to come and participate. Snack foods and beverages will be available.

Austin City-Wide Garage Sale

Austin's City Wide Garage Sale - North, May 5-6, features antiques, collectibles and a vintage flea market. The sale is located at Crockett Center 6301 Hwy 290 East (between IH-35 and Cameron Rd. Doors will open 10-5 p.m. Sat. and 11-5 p.m. Sun.

Adult admission is \$3.50 and under 12 are admitted free. Admission is good for both days.

For more information on this show call the show promoter Christopher Dwyer 512-441-2828.

CIO fashion show benefits Garden Guild

The Salado United Methodist Garden Guild and CIO a unique Ladies Boutique will present its annual Spring Fashion Show, "Stylish as a Spring Chick", in the fellowship hall 12:30 luncheon May 5 followed by the latest in spring fashions and drawings for great door prizes. Tickets for this event are \$5 each; they are available from the church office, Angelic Herbs and CIO. Seating is limited.

May 6 Fire Dept. raises funds

The Salado Volunteer Fire Department is preparing its May fundraiser, an auction and Bar B Q to be held May 6 at Bo's Barn. This is the largest fundraiser for the SFD.

Lunch will start at 12:30 p.m. Take out plates will be available for \$5. The live auction will begin at 3 p.m. with Bill Hall as the auctioneer.

Some of the donations include an antique pool table, stone 6' table with benches, golf for four at Mill Creek, a set of longhorn candle holders, a home made doll, 12 yard load of base gravel, and 12 yard load of top soil, a one night hog hunt, beauty supplies, prints, watercolors, a sculpture, golf for four at Berry

Creek.

The proceeds of the fundraiser will be used to run the department and to help reduce the outstanding debt on the new fire trucks.

If you would like to make a donation please call Sharon Whitt at 947-8684.

Salado ISD employee reception & awards

Salado ISD employee recognition reception will be held 6 p.m. April 30 at the Salado Intermediate School.

Service pins will be awarded. Retiring honorees are Marvin Agnew and Carolyn Owen.

Those recongized with 5 year awards are Gary Askins, Becky Butscher, Carleen Carroll, Melinda Danford, Randy Fewell, Susan Jackson, Susan McLaughlin, Christy Sharum, Debra Tubbs, and Jane Willess.

Ten year awards will go to Doris Blair, Betty Gregurek, Bonnie Kulp and Rod Stockstill.

Fifteen year awards go to Linda Chaffin, Virginia Guess and Rinda Wesson.

A Thirty year award will be presented to Dennis Cabaniss.

Auxiliary salad luncheon May 10

Salado Chamber of Commerce Ladies Auxiliary will hold its annual salad luncheon 11 a.m. May 10 at the Civic Center.

Sam Farrow, Soloist and Marge Kirkman, Pianist will be providing the entertainment.

The public is invited to attend. Cost is \$5. Reservations are required. For more information or to make reservations call Helen Clayton at 947-3533 or mail to the Ladies Auxiliary, P.O. Box 161 Salado, Texas 76571.

Golf Tournament for Peaceable Kingdom Retreat

Heart of Texas Association of Insurance and Financial advisors will hold a golf tournament April 30, benefiting Peaceable Kingdom with a 1 p.m. shotgun start at Sammons Park in Temple. The entry fee of \$50 per player, includes range balls, two free drink tickets, and a hamburger lunch. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams.

All hole in ones on any of the 5 par 3's win a trip to Las Vegas or Cancun. For more information contact Don-Murphy at 254-778-4741 or email, dmurphy@FB-ins.com

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 te 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. at the Salado Civic Center

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

Wednesday

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

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

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

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

Board meets 2nd Wed. 8 a.m.

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

Thursdays

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

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

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

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

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

Saturdays

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

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

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Salado Volunteer Fire Department

May Fundraiser
Auction and Bar B Q

<p>Donation Items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Golf for Four at Mill Creek Home Made Doll Prints Longhorn Candleholders Watercolors 12 Yards of Base Gravel One Night Hog Hunt 	<p>Donation Items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stone Table with Benches Beauty Supplies Golf for Four At Berry Creek Antique Pool Table Sculpture 12 Yards of Top Soil
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Bo's Barn • May 6th
Lunch starts at 12:30 • Auction 3 p.m.

Salado ISD Honor Rolls 5th 6 Weeks

THOMAS ARNOLD ELEMENTARY 5TH SIX WEEK HONOR ROLL

All A Honor Roll

Second Grade

Jessica Alpha
Brennan Boydston
Andrew Cospers
Bobby Golding
Logan Haire
Raven Hojnacki
Courtney Lavadia
Audley Miles
Jacqueline Pickreign
Kristina Ramos
Courtney Wheeler
Paige Zulauf
Paul Chavez
Taylor Caldwell
Camryn Bintz
Kalyn Dunks
Hannah Goode
Jacob Heiner
Amy Kendall
Kandace Little
Garret Marburger
Colton Norman
Janson Oyer
Tyndal Schreiner
Rachel Spinks
Braxton Tucker
Bernie Briggs
Ryan Burden
Jacob Cahoon
Max Care
Katy Clark
Schuyler Dale
Emily Davis
Megan Harvell
Jenna Sebek
Hunter Ward
Jeffrey Care
Delanie Chilton
Christopher Fix
Brittney Frazier
Logan Jackson
Hailee Pipes
Taylor Rudduck
Lexy Willis

Third Grade

Joshua Alpha
Isabel Garcia
Sindel McDaniel
Rebecca Petro
Zachary Shumate
Gregory Tischler
Grant Hancock
Brandon Heller
Caleb Little
Haley Kemp
Heather Williams
Taylor Cockrell
Reed Farr
Brittany Finger
Lauren Giniewicz
Cade Hendrick
Chelsea Lomprey
Tessa Marek
Susanna Owens
Zoe Simpson
Kurstyn Sundberg
Trent Wagnon
Brandon Walker
Jessica Walker
Lexy Gonzalez
Alex Lincoln
Ashley Lincoln
Jeremy Milam
Caroline Payne
Tristen Williams

Fourth Grade

Sarah Cook
Danielle Hazzard
Morgan Kelly
Craig Little
Matthew Ming
Megan Seaton
Preston Watkins
Ciera Bell
Abby Frazier
Barton Grigsby
T.J. Kemp
Rob Little
Jacob Peschel
Richie Patterson
Kaitlyn Ruth
Wade Clark
Katy Constancio
Jessica Daniel
Jordan Dunn
James Ervi
Jenna Ferrell-Raborn
Maegan Kincheloe
Colton Lewis
Jon Spinks
Jacob Spurlock
Garret Ward
Beau Benoit
Lindsey Coffey
Greg Hennig
Brad Hollas
Becka Laird
Kaleigh Rank
Josh Rodriguez
Dara Schiller
Kelsey Williamson

A-B Honor Roll

Second Grade

Alisha Byrd
David Daniel
Alaura Eagan
Wesley Hancock
Houston Sloan
James Williamson
Alyson George
Lainey Sirois
Desiree Smith
Seth Boniface
Hadley Joiner
Cody Monk
Rachel Pinkerton
Kacey Robinson
Sarah Boysen
Ashleigh Grams
Joe Guzman
Amber Peters
Chris Quinn
Jessica Rodriguez
Colby Schiller
Stephen Sniggs
Brandon Stineman
Samantha Yeager

Third Grade

Colten Abrams
Forrest Culp
Coral Fraire
Austin Jackson
Lindsay Martin
Mitchell Rosenau

Josh LaBove
Jace Maldonado
Pul Pinkston
Ashlee Arnold
Rachel Cailler
Kristen Dunnahoo
Mindi Dunnahoo
Mallory Ming
Rachel Phillips
Rachel VanHoozer
Cole Raley
Audry Roe
Stetson Gilchrest
Vonnice Rodriguez
Tyler Fogle
Mayra Gonzales
Sarah Foster
Allie Grace
Daisy Jaimes
Miriam Jimenez
Ethan Mitchell
Colby Montgomery

Fourth Grade

Thomas Baine
Tyler Collins
Katie Foster
Logan Foster
Jerod Lutz
Juan Magadan
Alison Slima
Jenny Wiggins
Ally Bates
Reta Buckley
Paul Buker
John Cruz
Jeran Dunson
Kristi Everett
Regina Fuchs
Gene Radebaugh
Brooks Williams
Laura Manna
Erika Benolken
Juanita Magadan
Nickole Marks
Cherly Rogers
Derek Snyder
Kristian Beruman
Bryce Dunks
Sikyy Moore
Stephen Regan
Clayton Weatherly
Brianda Ruiz

Salado Intermediate School

All A Honor Roll

5th Grade

Paul Boston
Tyler Burden
Joshua Bush
Joshua Coleman
Lauren Culver
Sarah Dowell
Gene Drake
Gregory Faber
Matthew Fritsch

Jonas Goode
Karleigh Goodnight
Lauren Haire
Blake Heller
Amanda Hoffman
Kevin Jackson
Candice Jimenez
Nicholas Mohammed
Kamylle Palomino
Sara Sebti
Kristen Smith
Ryan Smith

6th Grade

Jamie Burson
Jonathan Kendall
Westin Koiner
Jacob Meritt
Thomas Pappas
Stephen Quick
Molly Rooney
Crystal Schoellmann
Tavonn Shafie
Ariel Simpson
Nathan Sitz

7th Grade

Grant Boston
Jacob Brown
Kristopher Califano
Colby Cox
Wesley Dowell
Jackie Drake
Laura Duel
Kirsten Singleton
Kelsey Smith
Michael Spinks
Mark Wilson

8th Grade

Valerie Clark
Jennifer Goode
Rebekah Quick
Kristen Womac

A-B Honor Roll

5th Grade

Emily Caballero
Courtney Campbell
Daniel Champion
Kasey Cockrell
Seth Collins
Alexandria Fisher
Leopoldo Galvon Prado
Ashley Jenkins
Denny Jordan
Brittany Kincheloe
Kayla Kirchmeier
Cory Langford
Breanne Marks
Alyssa Mitchell
Mark Owens
Trevor Radcliffe
Valeria Rangel
David Rosenau
Eric Santoya
Justin Schiller
Amy Simon
Kourtney Singleton
Angelia Tobar

Adela Toledo
Biridiana Torres
Samuel Van Hoozer
Morgan Weinberg
George Wideman

6th Grade

Brandi Boydston
Robert Cloud
Bryan Corbett
Tyler Correa
Phillip Couchman
Danielle Danford
Cortney Dunnahoo
Chelsea Ervi
Justine Ferrell-Rabor
Seth Foster
Sheena Fry
Alonso Galvan Prado
Brittany Gilchrest
Kelsey Gobin
Maria Gonzales
Blake Hancock
Katie Harris
Graham Hennig
Keith Hogwood
Wesley Kalk
Justin Konzen
Rebecca Lyssy
Leigh Martin
Sara Moffatt
Blake Newman
Adam Patton
Crystal Poston
Alexander Rodriguez
Mary Runyon
Thomas Schalte
Jessica Shumate
Madison Slagel
Stephanie Stineman
Brittany Tucker
Araceli Urquiza
Erica Weinberg
Royce Wiggins
Aaron Winters
Jamie Zulauf

7th Grade

Garrett Askins
Lacey Bartlett
Brittany Dixon
Elizabeth Dunlap
Ryan Eckstrum
Cole Ewton
Mark Gentry
Cody Gobin
Leah Griffin
Rachel Hargrove
Kathryn Holdampf
Travis Kemp
Christopher Marek
Stephen Marsh
Katherine Marshall
Brandon Peters
Jessica Whitmire
Heather Winters

8th Grade

Brittany Boydston
Christopher Campbell
Virginia Ewton
Sarah Gentry
Brittani Goodnight

Garrison Hennig
Lauren Hogwood
Joshua Jacobsen
Jack Lucas
Brittany Marks
Alyssa Powell
Jessica Rivers
Elise Sharum
Savannah Slagel
Anna Smith
Blake Spence
Alexandra Taylor
Jaclyn Welsh
Laramie Wilson

Salado High School

A Honor Roll

Ninth Grade

Katherine Herrick
Pamela Newman

Tenth Grade

Sara Culver
Kasey Keller
Narissa Mohammed
Chelsea Norman
Kyle Salisbury
Leann Whitt
Tiffany Young

Eleventh Grade

Whitney Brown
Justin Hosch

Twelfth Grade

Eryn Barkley
Cassandra Clark
Dustin Correa
Cassie Fewell
Cynthia Lopez
Christopher Ray
Matthew Stowell
Cassandra Swanson
Jon Teer
Rebecca Wilson
Samantha York

A-B Honor Roll

Ninth Grade

Abigail Buchanan
Keigan Campbell
Laura Couchman
Peter Culin
Tiffany Dixon
Joseph Dobson
Angela Hogwood
Laramie Jackson
Rachael Oaks
Alicia Raley
Megan Roberts
Chase Simpson
Amanda Tumej
Allen Tyson
GeorgeAnn Valentine
Brittanie Whitfield
Joshua Wright

Tenth Grade

Shelia Arnold
Bradley Carter
Andrea Correa
Evan Durham
David Faber
Jenna Fritsch
Evan Gillespie
Stephen Hayes
Nathan Jackson
Tabitha Lawson
Emily Lilly
Ashley Lummus
Cody Mabry
Lauren Mewhinney
Devon Rex
John Schoellmann
Brooke Sharum
Kyle Turbo
Olga Urquiza
Romelia Urquiza

Eleventh Grade

Joyful Alderman
Chrystin Coe
Kelli Cook
Julianna Couchman
Seth Dady
Carrie Everett
Megan Fleck
Echo Jacobsen
Stephanie Marley
Angela Peters
Lindsay Quirk
Randi Rader
Adria Raley
Candace Simpson
Amber Tsosie
John Tyson
Candice Williams
Robyn Womac

Twelfth Grade

Joshua Aplaca
Stacy Blodgett
Samantha Bruce
Joseph Califano
Marvin Coleman
Christopher Corbett
Shawna Cunningham
Gregory Dachs
Saul Fraire
Jerry Glaeser
Garlen Hennig
Nicole Hernandez
Ashley Kelley
Hollie Koch
Ashley Lemmon
Brittania Lutz
Adam Macias
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Salado Creek Preservation Committee Test Results for April 3, 2001

Site Number And Name	H2O Temp. (Celsius)	pH	Conductivity Dissolved Solids (part per million)	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/liter)	Phosphates (mg/liter)	Nitrates (mg/liter)	Fecal Coliform Colonies per 100 mL
#1 Summers Mill	19	8.6	.47	8.1	.028	8.70	100
#2 Chisholm Trail	20	8.7	.50	7.8	.009	8.70	200
#3 Sirena	20	8.5	.45	7.6	.009	10.0	100
#4 Pattersons Crossing	20	8.3	.40	8.8	.002	7.30	83
#5 Stagecoach Dam	20.5	7.8	.43	6.8	0.024	10.40	183
#6 Interstate Frontage				No Data This Month			

Shadow Box

FROM PAGE 1A

Aplaca being named to the All-Star cast. These two cast members have received recognition for their creative efforts at each level of competition. Erin Lummus and Joe Dobson were named "Honorable Mention All Star Cast" for their noteworthy contribution to the play and the technical crew lead by Greg Dachs were singled out for their artistic light design and staging.

Askins continued, "There were more than seventy-five actors on the stage at Regionals and there were only eighteen individual awards given out to the six competing schools. The Salado High

cast garnered five individual awards but the most gratifying award was the large gold medal I was able to present to every single one of our cast and crew that signified we are going to have the opportunity to perform this play one more time. I still feel we have not given the best show that this incredible group of young people are capable of giving, there are no limits to their creativity."

"I would urge the Salado community to come see this unique collection of young actors and actresses as they make their attempt to become state champions. We've made it this far and I just think we might

as well win it."

The Salado One Act Play cast and crew have won at every level of competition starting at Zone, through District, Area and now Region. The student director Greg Dachs leads a crew of Sara Culver, Kelli Cook and Dustin Correa. The entire award winning cast is comprised of Matt Stowell, Caleb Thompson, Joe Dobson, Mandy Tsosie, Josh Aplaca, Cody Melton, Hope Buchanan, Adria Raley and Erin Lummus. Assisting with this year's production are the alternates Angela Hogwood, Elizabeth Dachs and Jon McHaney.



Mandy Tsosie earned Best Actress honors at the Regional One Act Play competition last week.

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Village Artist workshop set for May 9-11

Mary Barton will be returning for her third watercolor workshop for the Salado Village Artists on May 9-11 at the Salado Art Center. It is open to all levels of painters. The total fee for the workshop is \$160 and includes a \$50 deposit to be mailed to Salado Village Artists, Inc. P.O. Box 363 Salado, TX. For more information contact Jerry Goodman 947-5275 or Doris Ann Manning 771-5849.

In addition to learning how to choose a subject and compose a design, the student will learn transparent watercolor techniques and when and where to apply gouache, watercolor pencils and collage to enhance the painting. The main focus of this workshop will be the use of a masking/pouring technique to give an exciting feeling of controlled spontaneity to the final product.

Mary Barton taught art in the secondary schools for many years before devoting all her time to painting. She currently teaches water media workshops all around Texas and the neighboring states, is an art show juror, and paints for galleries, competitions and commissions. Mary has studied with Judi Betts, Cheng Khee Chee, Jean Grastorf, Stephen Quiller,

Christopher Schink, and Frank Webb. Her belief is that anything can be a good subject for art. "It all depends on what is done with it. Although I enjoy using many subjects, my primary interest is children at play, and close-up sections of natural or man-made objects. With these last two it is the abstract quality of the design which draws me to the subject."

Alderman address police protection streets and burn ordinance issues

Salado aldermen took steps April 19 to establishing a Village police department by authorizing the police protection committee to begin advertising for the position of Police Chief.

Marshal Alan Rogers informed the board of aldermen that the costs of starting up the police department will be approximately \$101,000.

The board determined that the Chief of Police should live within the extra territorial jurisdiction of the Village of Salado.

The police protection committee recommended

establishing a local police department after meeting with Bell County Sheriff Dan Smith. The cost of contracting police protection through the county would likely be higher than the cost of establishing a local department because the Village would pay time-and-a-half rates for the County contract.

However, the Village will depend on the County Sheriff for major investigations that are beyond the capacity of a small town police department.

In other business, aldermen authorized Ashe to send out requests for proposals for maintaining streets within the Village proper. Bell County will continue to maintain roads within the Village until October 2001, the beginning of the new fiscal year for both the county and village.

The board approved authorizing Mayor Charlotte Douglass to make a \$105,000 offer on property at 313 N. Robertson Rd. to be used for a police department and municipal courts building.

Aldermen amended the burn permit ordinance approved earlier in the month, establishing a fee

of \$20 and stating that permits are good for only two days following issuance from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

For more information about burn permits, contact the Village of Salado office at the Salado Civic Center, 947-5060.

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Aldermen will meet again 6:30 p.m. May 3 at the Salado Civic Center.

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CHURCH NEWS

Ragas passes away at age 79

Services for Thelma Morris Ragas, age 79, of Belton were held April 23 at Heartfield Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Skip Blancett officiating. Burial followed at Resthaven Cemetery south of Belton.

Thelma Ragas died April 20 at her home. She was born Oct. 19, 1921 in Doylestown, Pennsylvania to Robert Lee and Helen Shaffer Cowen Sr. She married John Travis Morris on Nov. 2, 1938. He preceded her in death in Dec. 1972. Ragas worked for Griggs Equipment

from 1971-1985. She also worked for Butch's Restaurant for 4 years. She then married Leon Ragas in 1988. He also preceded her in death in 1993. She was preceded in death by one son Doyle Morris on April 16, 1987 and one daughter Dena White on September 28, 2000.

Survivors include 8 sons Travis Lee Morris of Duncan, OK; Victor Herbert Morris of Moffat, TX; Wilburn Foster Morris of Belton, TX; John Martin Morris of Anacortes, WA; Jerry Glen Morris of Salado, TX; Walter Aurbay

Morris of Belton, TX; Teddy Don Morris of Salado, TX; Dave Edward Morris of Belton, TX; three daughters Linda Joyce Vanwinkle of Belton, TX; Beverly Ann Duke of Nolanville, TX; Odessa Faye Sherwood of Belton, TX; three brothers Bailey Pate Cowen of Denver, CO; Joe Milton Cowen of Burton, TX; J.I. Cowen of Moody, TX; two sisters Doris Nell Cox and Carolyn Sue Cox both of Belton, TX. She is also survived by 33 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Salado United Methodist Church honors graduates April 29

Salado United Methodist Church will honor its high school graduates April 29 at the 11 a.m. worship service. During the service, the seniors will be given a silver cross from the church family. Following the service, the graduates and their guests will be the Church Family's guests for Sunday dinner at the School Auditorium.

The high school graduates to be honored are

Stacey Blodgett, Will Bolton, Amy Carlson, Dustin Correa, Julie Couchman, Justin Phillip, Lara Lee, Tessa Schreiner and Chris Woolard. The Adult ministries Committee chaired by Judy Hodgins and the Outreach Committee chaired by Sandi Emmons are hosting the event.

In addition to Sunday recognition each graduate who is a member of the

church will receive a scholarship from the church family to be applied toward their first semester of college. In the words of several church members, "This is our way to tell our young people how much we love and appreciate them as well as ensure that their future is secure." Shirley Culver is chair of the Scholarship Committee.

Vacation Bible School to be held in June at SUMC

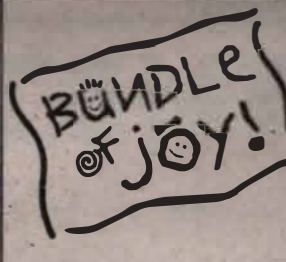
Salado United Methodist Church invites children to "Chill Out" on a Polar Expedition to be held 9 a.m.-noon June 11-15. This year the church is taking a break from the summer heat as they head out on a Polar Expedition at Vacation Bible School. This

program will provide fun and memorable Bible for children of all ages. Each day, children will sing catchy tunes, play teamwork-building games, and nibbles tasty treats from Igloo Eats. They will dig into Bible Adventures and create Cool Crafts they

will take home and play with all summer long.

Polar Expedition is an exciting way for children to discover that Jesus' love is cool. The children will join nearly a million children in North America and take part in a hands-on mission project that will reach needy children across the globe. Each day will be included with a festive Ice Station Celebration that gets everyone involved in what they have learned. Family members and friends are encouraged to join the group daily for this special time at the Salado United Methodist Church.

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Matthew 4:8-9

Community Bible study starts April 30

The Temple/Belton Community Bible Study Evening class will be studying 1 and 2 Peter/Daniel/Colossians next fall. Anyone interested in signing up for the study is welcome to attend the next CBS class meeting on April 30 from 7:30 -9 p.m. in the old sanctuary of the First Baptist Church of Belton, located at 6th and Main Belton. Visitors will have the opportunity to learn

more about CBS as well as attend a lecture on the current study of the book of Luke.

CBS is an interdenominational study for men, women and couples of all backgrounds who are interested in an in-depth weekly study of God's Word. There are more than 350 CBS classes around the country.

Next fall, beginning September 10, the CBS class will meet every

Monday night from 7:30-9 p.m. Each week participants receive a reading commentary on the previous week's topic and a set of questions to work on each day covering the next week's reading.

On Monday nights these questions are discussed in small groups of about fifteen. Couples can choose to participate together in a couples small group or individually in a men's or

women's small group.

Following the small groups there is a short lecture over the same section of Scripture. The class will break for several weeks at Christmas and finish at the end of April, 2002. Baby sitting will be provided for children up to six years of age.

Call Rick Erickson 771-0237, or Kathie Kimes 773-1842 for additional information.

Lions 6th annual golf tournament

The 6th Annual Salado Lions Club benefit Golf Tournament will be held May 7. Tee time will begin at 1 p.m. at Mill Creek Gold and Country Club.

The Golf Tournament is one of the largest fundraisers for the local groups, which supports several local and national efforts.

The tournament will be a four person scramble. Entry fee is \$50 per player to include lunch, green fee, cart and complimentary on course beverages.

Tournament entries and sponsors will meet at lions Park on the grounds of the Salado Civic Center for an 11 a.m. picnic lunch.

There will be hole-in-one prizes during the tournament. They are the following: hole #2, hole #6, hole #12 and hole #16.

Other prizes will include these: 1st place team (Gift certificate for a round of golf for four with shared cart) per player at Mill Creek Country Club, 2nd place team - \$200 cash.

Prizes will also be given for longest drive and closet pin.

Registration forms are available at the Salado Civic Center and should be turned in by May 4. Call

Hulda Horton at 947-8300 for reservations.

About the Lions

These funds are used to support our community with donations to the COPS program, Salado Volunteer Fire Department, Salado Civic Center, student school scholarships and more. Eye examinations and eye glasses are also provided to needy Salado students. One of the biggest projects is support of the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville, a summer camp for handicapped and diabetic children. In addition, funds are given to support the Lions Clubs International charities.

Club members are very active in the community. For example, during the month of March a total of 154 hours were spent in various community activities.

Lions is the largest such club organization in the world. It has 1,433,000 members in 43,000 Lions Clubs in 180 countries.

Eighty-two years ago, Lions Clubs were founded by Melvin Jones, a Chicago businessman, who merged a group of Chicago business men's luncheon clubs with an Indiana group of clubs that were

calling themselves Lions Clubs. In 1925, Helen Keller gave the Lions its first important mission, to become the "Knights for the Blind."

Since then Lions have worked in adopting projects for the blind. The Lions support a Leader Dog School in Michigan. They support a training school for the blind in Little Rock, Arkansas. Lions support eye banks throughout the country, six in the state of Texas. Lions SightFirst Program raised missions to fight preventable blindness throughout the world. In the U.S. Lions are leading the way in Lions Health Program to provide diabetes awareness to people as diabetes is the leading cause of blindness.

Kids play Doctor this summer

A student medical school seminar will be held at the Salado Intermediate School starting June 4. Students will grow bacteria, set a broken bone, discover the origins of diseases and learn about the human body's major systems. They will deal with life threatening emergencies, diagnose and pre-

Texas Lions support all of these worthy causes. In addition they purchase eyeglasses for needy adults and children. Texas Lions support a summer camp where hundreds of disabled and diabetic children can attend free of charge each summer.

When there is a disaster anywhere in the world, Lions International is there with aid through its Lions Clubs International Foundation. Four years ago, LCIF gave \$10,000 to victims of the Jarrell tornado.

This is just the tip of the iceberg of the lions programs. Lionism is based on local club autonomy and the community work of Lionism is done at the local club level.

scribe treatment. Students eligible to enter are 5th, 6th and 7th graders. The program will begin June 4. It will be held Mon-Thurs. 8 a.m.-11:45 a.m. Cost is \$240. Classes are limited to 18 students, first come basis with \$100 deposit reserves a place.

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Four Salado tracksters will compete at the Regional Meet this weekend in San Marcos. Three of the four competed at Regional Qualifiers Meet last weekend.

Lauren Mewhinney took 2nd in the 3200 Meter Run, running against 17 other girls. She ran a time of 12:06.

Mewhinney also took third in the 1600 Meter Run with a time of 5:28, her best time of the year. She ran against 20 other Regional qualifiers in all divisions.

Stephen Fewell was 7th

in the 100 Meter Run with a 10.8. He ran against 46 other runners from all levels of the region.

Fewell also had the 16th fastest time in the 200 Meter Run, with a 22.44, a personal best for the sophomore runner.

Amanda Tumey had a 4'10" leap in the High Jump to place sixth in the event.

Michelle Houston, who qualified for Regions in the 300 Meter Hurdles, did not compete at the qualifiers meet due to a conflict with softball.



(Photo by Albera Urquiza)
Pete Simon shoots for the green during the Children's Miracle Network golf tournament at Mill Creek.

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The Bob Lilly Celebrity Golf Classic benefiting The Ronald McDonald House of Temple will be May 21. Bob's Honorary Co-chairman this year is fellow Dallas Cowboy Walt Garrison. Bob and Walt will be joined by approximately 40 NFL Alumni, each of whom will serve

as a captain for a team of local golfers.

Tournament day check in for the 6-person team scramble, held concurrently at Mill Creek Country Club in Salado and Wildflower Country Club in Temple, begins at 8 a.m. with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Single golfers may enter and they

will be paired, or teams of up to five golfers may enter together. Entry fee is \$200 per golfer, which entitles each golfer to a Bob Lilly Celebrity Golf Classic shirt and cap, a goodie bag, contests and refreshments on the course, and a meal at Wildflower at the conclusion of tournament play.

The winning three teams from each course will participate in a shootout at Wildflower to determine the tournament champions. Prizes will be presented during the dinner and an auction will follow.

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Salado band members put the finishing touches on Darrell Street's car during their car wash at Brookshire Brothers parking lot April 21. The band members are raising funds for their Spring Trip. Of course, the day after the car wash, it rained. Hard. (PHOTO BY TIM FLEISCHER)

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Salado School Menus
April 27-May 1

Breakfast Menu

April 27: Pancakes, Sausage Link, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
April 28: Sausage Rolls, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
April 29: Cinnamon Rolls, Baked Ham, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
April 30: Pig in a Blanket, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
May 1: Biscuit, Sausage Patty, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Lunch Menu

April 27: Pizza, Corn, Breadstick, Pineapple, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Milk
April 28: Fajitas, Lettuce/Tomato, Pinto Beans, Fruit, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Milk
April 29: Cheeseburger, Burger Salad, French Fries, Fruity Freeze, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Milk
April 30: Pork Filet, Tater Tots, Corn, Fried Fruit Pie, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Milk
May 1: Spagetti/Meat Sauce, Salad, Roll, Fruit, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Milk

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SHS tennis players compete at district, ready for Region



Salado High tennis players are (front row, from left) Amanda Rivers, Joyful Alderman, Chelsea Norman, Tabitha Lawson, Sami York, Kasey Keller. (Back row, from left) Coach Tom Aldertman, David Matthews, Jon Teer, Chris Ray, Nick McNeely, Brandon Dady, Bradley Johnston and Coach Susan McLaughlin.

Following are the results of the district tennis tournament for Junior Varsity and Varsity held April 11-12.

Junior Varsity

Boys singles: Brian Johnston, 1st.

Boys doubles: Jeremy Grimm and Jarrod Whitfield, 3rd.

Girls singles: Tiffany Dixon, 1st; Heather McLaughlin, 3rd.

Girls doubles: Becky Wilson and Laura Couchman, 3rd.

Junior Varsity girls became district champions.

Varsity

Boys singles: Brad Johnston, 2nd.

Boys doubles: Jon Teer and Chris Ray, 2nd.

Girls singles: Joyful

Alderman, 3rd.
Girls doubles: Amanda Rivers and Kasey Keller, 3rd.

Brad Johnston will be

advancing to Regionals in boys singles.

Jon Teer and Chris Ray will be advancing to Regionals in boys dou-

bles. Regionals will be held April 25-26 at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.



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Lady Eagles year end with win

Salado High Lady Eagles softball team finished its season by trashing Moody 14-3 April 20.

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Salado	14	8	3
Moody	3	5	6

While Salado scored most of its runs on passed balls and errors, two Lady Eagle players had big bats during the game.

Stephanie Krueger and Tiffany Blair both had triples during the game.

"It was a good way to end the season," Coach Travis Ling said. "We put all three facets of our game together at one time: hitting, pitching and defense."

Salado finished the season with an even dis-

trict record of 7-7 and 11-12 on the year.

Although the girls finished in the middle of the pack, they defeated two of the three teams that will represent the district in the playoffs.

Rogers, Lexington and Jarrell all qualified for playoff appearances in softball.

Ling looks forward to next year, when Salado Lady Eagles will return all players except one.

Salado will lose Stacy Blodgett to graduation this year.

"I'm hopeful about next year, since we're keeping the team in tact, except for Stacy," he said.

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Haire new AD at Perrin-Whitt

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Former Salado High School coach and graduate Alan Haire accepted a post as Athletic Director and Head Football Coach at Perrin-Whitt Consolidated I.S.D.

Perrin-Whitt competes in District 13A outside the Fort Worth area. The last two years, the P-W Pirates were 3-7 after going 7-3 in football.

A selection committee of two board members, the High School principal, a High School teacher and two community members selected Haire from a field of 107 applicants.

"I've been very impressed with Alan," interim superintendent Charles Barron said in a telephone interview. "We are looking forward to having him here. The committee and board are impressed with his attitude toward school, how he relates to the athletes and his work ethic."

After visiting the school and student athletes last week, Haire said he plans to institute his spread offense at P-W.

"They're good-looking kids who can throw and catch the ball," Haire said of the P-W Pirates. "That's all you need with the spread. This offense allows you to spread the field out, find out who their studs are and who their weaker players are and to pick on the weaker parts of their defense."

During his three sea-

sons as offensive coordinator for Salado High, the Eagles took the spread to the playoffs all three years. Salado won the district championship the last year Haire coached here.

Haire came back to teach and coach in Salado after getting his Master's degree in exercise and sports studies from Tarleton University in Stephenville. While attending graduate school, Haire taught and coached elementary students at Morgan Mill.

He was an assistant football coach, head boys basketball coach and head girls softball coach at Salado High, before leaving at the end of the 2000 school year. Both the boys' basketball and girls' softball teams qualified for the playoffs.

Coaching both boys and girls athletics has given Haire an appreciation for supporting both programs. "I've seen both sides of the coin and know how important girls athletics are," Haire said. "A lot of ADs never have seen the girls' side. I know that the girls take their sports every bit as seriously as the boys."

Haire said that his experience this year teaching and coaching at Killeen High School will also help him as Athletic Director. Currently, Haire is an assistant basketball coach and assistant softball coach at KHS.

Haire knew taking the job at Perrin-Whitt was the right thing to do when he



Alan, Angie, Bailey and Hayden Haire

was offered the contract on the same day that he was given an offer on his home. "I knew God was telling me this was the right thing to do," he said.

Haire will move over the summer break. He starts his contract with Perrin-Whitt on July 1.

While the move takes him away from family members in the Salado area, it brings him closer to his wife's family near Fort Worth.

Alan is the son of Sheila Webb and Verlon and Joyce Haire, all of the Salado area. His wife, Angie, is the daughter of Jack and Beverly Warren.

Alan and Angie have two children: Bailey, their three-year-old daughter, and Hayden, their 20-month-old son.

He is a 1988 graduate of Salado High School. Haire earned a B.S. from Tarleton in 1993 and an M.S. from Tarleton in 1994.

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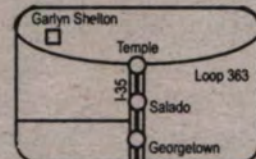
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As the summer months draw near, the American Cancer Society is encouraging us to remember the importance of our skin and to protect it from the sun's damaging rays.

"Most of the 1.3 million cases of skin cancer diagnosed yearly in the US are considered to be sun-

related. Those most at risk for skin cancer are people with light skin, fair hair, light color eyes and those who burn easily. However, darker-skinned people can also develop skin cancer, including malignant melanoma, the deadliest form," says Dr. Ramsdell, MD, spokesperson for the American Cancer Society in Texas.

To reduce your risk for skin cancer, the American Cancer Society recommends avoiding midday sun between 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. when the sun is at its strongest. When outside, protect your skin by wearing protective clothing and a hat. Use a broad-spectrum sunscreen with a skin protective factor (SPF) of 15 or higher and

wear wrap-around sunglasses that will block both UVA and UVB type rays.

It is also important for parents to promote sun safety with their children and set a good example for children to follow. When children learn early on how to protect their skin and eyes from the sun they are more likely to develop lifelong sun protection behavior.

For more information on UV exposure, skin cancer and ways to protect yourself and your family, visit the American Cancer Society's web site at www.cancer.org. Select "Melanoma" from the Cancer Resource Center's drop down menu on the left and then select skin cancer

prevention.

For those without Internet access, the American Cancer Society is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through their toll-free information hotline at 1-800-ACS-2345. Cancer Information Specialists are trained to provide the latest information related to skin cancer prevention as well as all forms of cancer.

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.

Texas Medical Association urges you to donate organs

The hardest question a health care worker has to ask and it may be one of the most difficult and important answer a family has to give: "Do you wish to donate your loved one's organs?" Thousands of American families each year say "yes," but the number of organs donated falls far short of being able to provide life-saving organ transplants for all those in need.

Currently more than 75,000 people are waiting. Waiting is all some will do.

Some will finish the wait and receive an organ; others will die before a match is found. Six thousand Americans, 16 people a day, died last

year because there were not enough organs available.

The physicians of Texas Medical Association urge all people to sign a donor card and, most importantly, discuss this decision with their families.

Currently in the United States organs are donated by "informed consent," where a patient signs a donor card and informs their family they wish to be a donor when they die.

In many European countries, an alternate system, "presumed consent," is in place. And in some of the countries that have adopted this system, the waiting list virtually has been eliminated.

With presumed consent,

everyone is assumed to be an organ and tissue donor unless they "opt out." Those who do not want to be an organ donor sign a statement that says they do not wish to donate their organs or tissues upon their death.

In European countries that have adopted presumed consent, a registry is checked to determine if the deceased had expressed his or her wishes concerning organ donation. If not, the family is notified that their loved one did not indicate that he or she wished to "opt out" of being a donor. Thus their organs are retrieved. If the family objects, the deceased's organs will not be retrieved. In Austria, Hungary, and Spain the family's wishes may be overridden.

Some transplant advocates in Texas have proposed changing state law to "presumed consent" to help ease the shortage of organ donations. Dr. Phil Berry, past president of Texas Medical Association and himself a liver transplant recipient, says, "We are losing this battle; therefore, bold changes are necessary."

Even without moving

Moore tells how she dealt with the emotions of breast cancer

Jane Moore, licensed professional counselor and breast cancer survivor will share how she dealt with the emotions of breast cancer in her own life 10 a.m.-2 p.m. April 28 at the Ray Ranch near Belton.

To round up the program Jodie Standard, clinical social worker will join Moore. Standard has 17 years experience working with women's issues and depression.

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Currently in the state of Texas there are 1.3 million uninsured children. To help reduce this number and provide affordable insurance for working families, the Texas Legislature launched the TexCare Partnership, a new children's health insurance campaign that incorporates the new state-federal Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), along with Medicaid and the Texas Healthy Kids Corporation.

The physicians of Texas Medical Association urge working parents who cannot afford health insurance for their children to contact their local TexCare

Partnership office about signing up for one of these programs.

CHIP is designed for families who earn too much money to qualify for Medicaid--the state-federal program that provides care for low-income Americans -- but cannot afford to buy private insurance. It covers services such as hospital care, surgery, x-rays, therapies, prescription drugs, mental health and substance abuse treatment, emergency services, eye tests and glasses, dental care, and regular health check-ups and vaccinations.

To qualify for CHIP, a child must be:

- * A Texas resident;
- * A U.S. citizen or permanent legal resident (the citizenship or immigration status of the parents does not affect the child's eligibility);
- * Under age 19;
- * Uninsured for at least 90 days;
- * Living in a family that meets certain income requirements (for example,

a family of four with a monthly income between \$1,000 and \$2,600, depending on the age of the child).

Children who enroll in CHIP receive 12 months of continuous coverage but must re-enroll once a year.

With CHIP many families only pay an annual fee of \$15 to cover all their children in the plan. Higher-income families pay monthly premiums of \$15 - \$18, which covers all children in the family. Some families also will have co-payments which will not exceed \$90 a year for doctor visits, prescription drugs, and emergency care.

Since CHIP began in May 2000, TexCare Partnership has enrolled 314,360 children, out of an estimated potential of 473,189 families. Twenty-five thousand children whose families earn too much to qualify for CHIP were referred to Medicaid and another 42,864 were referred to Texas Healthy

Kids Corporation, a public-private initiative to provide affordable private health insurance for children.

Thanks to TexCare Partnership, parents are reporting fewer visits to the emergency room and more visits to primary care physicians for routine care.

To contact TexCare Partnership to see if your children qualify for one of its programs or to receive more information about health insurance, dial (800) 647-6558 or visit their Web site at www.texcarepartnership.com.

Texas Medical Association is a professional organization of more than 36,000 physician and medical student members. It is located in Austin and has 118 component county medical societies around the state. The Association represents 85 percent of the doctors of medicine licensed and residing in Texas. TMA's key objective is to improve the health of all Texans.

Student Medical School seminar held at Salado Intermediate School

If your child would like to be a doctor or if you would like your child to live such an experience, then let your child go to medical school through a student medical school seminar at the Salado Intermediate School starting June 4.

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include mathematics, reading, writing, biology, medical specialties and career awareness.

Students eligible to enter are 5th, 6th and 7th graders. The program will begin June 4. It will be held Mon-Thurs. 8 a.m.-11:45 a.m. Cost is \$240 (\$15 per day average). Classes are limited

to 18 students, first come basis with \$100 deposit reserves a place.

This program is open to all students wishing to participate.

For more information or to make reservations call Debbie Wigley, class instructor at 947-1700.

Construction starts on special treatment center at Scott & White

Backhoes and bulldozers dot the landscape around parts of Scott & White Hospital in Temple.

This current construction has slightly changed the route many patients take to get to the

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Patients of Desk R and the Emergency Department are asked to use Scott & White South Loop or

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Many hotels feature an on-site fitness facility. Some even offer personal trainers. Do some research prior to your trip. Some of the larger hotel chains publish a booklet that lists available recreational and

exercise facilities and their locations; you can get a copy by contacting the chain's main reservation line. You can also often find that information via the Internet.

• Local health clubs: Some hotels may have unsuitable exercise facilities or none at all, but they may have arrangements with a local fitness club offering guest privileges for a nominal fee. Ask the hotel concierge about your options.

Also, if you already belong to a health club, ask if they participate in a program that offers visiting privileges at facilities in other locations around the country.

In-room workouts: You

may prefer to exercise in the privacy of your hotel room. Many hotels offer fitness videos through their in-house movie system. Bring along elastic exercise bands for a resistance workout, or get a strength workout by packing collapsible hand weights that can be filled with water. Your trainer can provide you with exercises you can do with this portable equipment.

• Exercise throughout the day: Your schedule while on the road may be so busy you might not have time for a regular workout. Look for exercise opportunities throughout the day. Take a walk during session breaks. Use the stairs instead of the elevator. At meals, seek out lower-fat,

higher fiber food and avoid the less nutritious goodies.

Remember that travel is stressful — jet lag, sleep disruption and diet changes can all take a toll on the body. For many people, exercise can do a lot to alleviate these stresses, but for others it just might be a good idea to slow down a bit.

Kelly Griffin, B.S., C.S.C.S., is a personal trainer and the owner of Power Break Fitness. If you have a fitness or training question, e-mail Kelly at letters@hearstsc.com or write her in care of King Features Weekly Service, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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With a great deal of work and very little fanfare over the past decade, the Salado High School UIL Academic Team has built itself into a program that is not only a dynasty at the 2A level, but that competes well against much larger schools from the 4A and 5A levels.

It is long past time that this program is given its due regard here in Salado. Pass by the football field, baseball field or the Coach Smith gymnasium and you easily see the past successes of these athletic teams.

Large signs and banners proclaim the District and Regional championships of our athletic teams. For a large part, these signs and banners are paid for by Booster clubs. Unfortunately, there is no Booster Club for the Academic team at SHS.

There should be one.

The first goal of an Academic Booster Club must be to place a sign at SHS proclaiming the two State Championships, four straight Regional Championships, and nine straight District Championships of our UIL Academic squad. There should be room on the sign for the future successes of our Academic team, as it appears there is no end in sight. Academic Boosters should also work to raise

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scholarship money for UIL competitors who might be overlooked by other scholarships at graduation time.

Academic Boosters can also work to raise money to pay the entry fees for UIL contests. Or help purchase practice tests for UIL competitors in any of the areas in which Salado kids compete.

Academic Boosters can also help support the UIL sponsors by acting as a resource to critique, grade and work with student competitors.

Salado Village Voice supports extra curricular activities as a means to develop well-rounded individuals. The newspaper has given time and money to Booster Clubs at Salado High.

The newspaper believes strongly enough in the need for an Academic Booster Club that it will donate \$200 to that end. Further, we challenge our friends in the business community to match or surpass this donation. For more information, call Dennis Cabaniss at Salado High School, 947-5429.

Our students competing in UIL Academics deserve more than just our congratulations.

They deserve our active support.

Western "free trade zone" plan has ramifications beyond money

In the years ahead the full ramifications and fallout from last weekend's gathering of western hemispheric leaders in Quebec City, Canada, will be felt by Americans in all walks of life.

The "Summit of the Americas" gave heads of the hemisphere's 34 democracies, who represent more than 800 million souls, a chance to size each other up and see what the chances are for a NAFTA-like organization connecting every nation and city from Barrow in Alaska to Tierra del Fuego at the tip of South America.

A hemispheric open market with no barriers or borders between nations including the free flow of goods, services and people - much like the European Common Market, is the dream.

It also gave President Bush a chance to present one of his administration's primary foreign policy goals - the creation of the world's largest free trade zone. The meeting went well except for the thousands of protestors who tried to disrupt the sessions because of their belief that such globalization of trade hurts the environment and the working classes while enriching only world bankers and multinational businesses. This was essentially the same group that messed with the World Trade Organization's meetings in Seattle two years ago.

This country's international companies are delirious with thoughts of new billions to be made by opening up South and Central American countries for our goods while using their less expensive labor for manufacturing purposes.

Opponents to this will be vocal and well financed including the entire American labor movement as well as some of our major industrial giants who like a little tariff protection tossed their way for good measure like the steel and auto makers and the powerful pharmaceutical money machines.

President Bush says that free trade brings prosperity and better standards of living which in turn causes Democracy to flourish. And he might be partially correct - if we are talking about unrestricted free trade between nations - but we are not.

The United States will still want to have its farmers protected with subsidies; its manufacturers aided through import duties, anti-dumping regs and quotas plus controlled immigration.

America Firsters plus old line conservative isolationists, who still believe in keeping immigration down and national borders sacrosanct and who hate the thought of one currency, perhaps even one official language, for all hemispheric nations - will fight these potential changes and be a tough group to overcome.

Lot of money will trade hands and congressional lawmakers will change their minds many times as lobbyists for all sides deluge these representatives with plenty of walking-around-money.

The over-riding question that must be answered is - will this open hemispheric adventure be good for America - its people, its standard of living and its way of life?

It will take much clear thinking and soul searching to find these answers - hopefully by good and decent men and women, blessed with a sense of history and humanity.

A ROSE BY ANY OTHER NAME

Don't go looking for Kenneth Wolter in the Houston, Texas phone book. It's not there. Changed his name to John WorldPeace (one word, large P). Plans to run for Governor of Texas according to a story in the Austin American-States-

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



"Our goal in Quebec is to build a hemisphere of liberty. Trade is important since it not only helps spread prosperity but also freedom."

PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH
QUEBEC SUMMIT SPEECH

man. Age 52, married, lawyer and someone who wanted to tell folks about his state of mind as well as give everyone a chance to think about something good.

Seems like a nice guy and with a sense of humor to boot, besides, as he noted, how is someone going to run a campaign against "WorldPeace"?

He's a Democrat. A breed fast disappearing in a State that has turned steadily, but not so progressively, more conservative since the dismal days of Bill Clements.

At any rate, this should give us pause to reflect on a surname switch for a number of our active politicians so their new appellation more nearly fits their position in the wild, wild world of politics.

Example - how about George W. "Coughalot" for our current president. Name taken from that popular Broadway melody - "CO2 is good for you!"

Or better still and closer to home - Suzanna "Slapleather" for Salado's gun toting state representative. And how about something suitable for Texas' senior U. S. Senator? Why not Phil "Moneytalks" for his Siamese connection to the financial industrial complex?

Not to belabor the point, but wouldn't it be a hoot to re-christen Jessie Jackson, Tom DeLay, Dick Armey and our current Governor Rick Perry (who has more hair than WorldPeace) - with sobriquets that give us a clearer insight into their persona and work as lawmakers, or as some irreverent observers might say - "whatever it is they do to keep from earning an honest living!"

NON ENGLISH SPEAKER WINS

Couple of super conservative Tories here in Salado were bemoaning the fact that a recent lottery winner from South Texas had to use a translator to express his happiness at taking home a \$2.2 million lump sum payment.

The man in question has been a citizen for over half a century - starting out as a field hand near Mission, Texas. Of course, folks tend to forget that many years ago Mexican children were not encouraged to stay in school nor learn English as they are today.

At any rate - one wag overhearing the group complaining about citizens who can't speak the King's English - reminded everyone about President Bush's nominee, as Ambassador to France - a fellow who calls himself Howard Leach. A close personal friend of the Prez and handsome donor to GOP campaigns.

Only problem is this guy can't speak a word of French!

That's going to go over big when he is presented to the powers that be in a nation that really doesn't care much for Americans in the first place.

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Kay Bailey Hutchison
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The best part of this job is hearing what Texans from all over the state have to say. I want to thank the thousands of readers who took the time to clip out our annual surveys, filled them in and mailed their responses to my office. Your answers to my questions showed once again that Texans have excellent insights to offer regarding our country's most pressing issues.

I appreciate your local newspaper's generosity in publishing these questionnaires for me each year. Here are your responses to the first part of this year's three-part questionnaire.

The first question I asked was this: "Last year, Congress passed an ambitious tax relief bill that President Clinton vetoed. The legislation did away with the marriage tax penalty, repealed the death tax and cut rates across the board. It would have made it easier for working families to save all they need for their retirement years. What are your tax-cut priorities?"

I was not surprised that 42 percent of you said eliminating the marriage tax penalty was your highest tax-reform priority, followed by 35 percent of you whose first priority is an across-the-board tax cut, and 23 percent of you who want to see the death tax eliminated before other tax reform is undertaken.

The second question dealt with energy issues: "President-elect Bush has suggested that we allow offshore drilling and open up federal land in Alaska and the Rocky Mountains to new oil and gas production. This has the potential to greatly increase our domestically produced energy. Would you support this expanded production, with appropriate environmental controls, in order to reduce our dependence on imported energy sources? What are your energy priorities?"

Texans know a lot about the realities of the energy industry, with 44 percent of you voting in support of more off-shore drilling, 38 percent of you being in favor of opening up federal land in Alaska for drilling, and 16 percent of you favoring tax provisions that would encourage small producers to increase output from marginal wells; the remaining 12 percent did not indicate a preference.

The third question I asked you was this: "If our economy continues on its current track, the fed-

eral government will enjoy a budget surplus again this year. How would you use that surplus? Would you cut taxes, reduce the national debt, increase government spending, or a combination thereof?"

You answered this question with 37 percent of you favoring tax cuts as the first way to deal with a government surplus, followed by 27 percent of you favoring reducing the national debt more quickly, 22 percent voting to increase defense spending and 14 percent indicating they would use part of the surplus for Social Security reform.

Here is what some of you wrote in answer to that question:

From Helotes: "Privatize wherever feasible, decrease mail delivery to twice weekly, most of it is junk mail, anyway, and eliminate door-to-door service."

Bowie: "Do away with some of the ridiculous federally funded research on things like the mating habits of flies."

San Marcos: "Stop bailing out every industry that is going under. Let the shareholders do it."

Cedar Park: "Don't pay Congress when it's in recess."

Del Rio: "Special-interest groups that get federal funding shouldn't be allowed to use that money to lobby the government for even more money. This is not right. Let people who believe in such groups support them."

Tulia: "Stopping Medicare fraud would save \$2 million to \$3 million a day. Stop minting 1-cent and 5-cent coins, and round off all purchases to 10 cents. That would save the Treasury some money."

Austin: "Thank you. You are saving money by not sending out expensive mailing."

Borger: "Cut out all the arts funding except for the projects that educate kids."

Beaumont: "Look for ways to combine government programs so we aren't paying for all those different administrative costs and government salaries."

Leakey: "Put a two-year time limit on all social programs. Help people, but not forever."

I will continue to work for substantive tax relief and eliminating the marriage tax penalty is at the top of my list of priorities.

I also support the across the board tax-relief proposal President Bush is proposing. I am optimistic that Congress will pass significant tax reform this year.

FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



Jesse Jackson's Money Machine

By JEFFREY HART

In its April 2 issue, The Weekly Standard ran a fascinating article by Noah D. Oppenheim about the lucrative financial activities of Jesse Jackson. Oppenheim drew on reporting by Tim Novak, Chuck Neubauer and Abdon M. Pallasch in the Chicago Sun-Times and Eric Slater and Myron Levin in the Los Angeles Times; they set forth an account of how Jackson threatens corporations with boycotts and the dreaded charge of racism, milking them for enormous contributions to his own tax-exempt organizations. He calls this protection racket "civil-rights activism."

I will quote some of Oppenheim's examples:

"In May 1998, telecommunications firms SBC and Ameritech reported their desire to merge. Jackson declared the merger 'fundamentally undemocratic' and proclaimed, 'Consumers, workers, women and people of color are being excluded and left behind.' As their fight with Jackson dragged on, SBC and Ameritech contributed

\$500,000 to his Citizenship Education Fund. Ameritech also sold a portion of its \$3.3 billion cellular business to Jackson's friend Chester Davenport. Soon thereafter, Jackson pronounced the merger 'in the public interest.'

"In October 1999, Clear Channel Communications sought to merge with AM/FM Inc. Jackson raised concerns about the merger, arguing that minorities should be able to buy any radio stations made available if the deal materialized. When the saber-rattling was over, Inner City Broadcasting, operated by longtime Jackson friend Percy Sutton, bought nine of those stations in major cities. Jackson and his wife Jacqueline are part-owners of Inner City. Their stake, originally worth \$10,000, is now worth between \$850,000 and \$1.2 million.

"All told, Jackson's charities currently take in approximately \$15 million a year in tax-exempt donations, most of that money stemming from Jackson's intervention in corporate transactions, according to Slater and Levin's analysis of financial records

released by the groups. The tax-exempt status of these donations deserves emphasis. Not only is the shareholder being fleeced, but by extension the government is being robbed."

The revelations go on and on. One thing that stands out is how little all of this does for poor, inner-city or even middle-class blacks. The beneficiaries of Jackson's protection racket are immensely rich individuals like himself. According to Oppenheim, "Chester Davenport, who was given a piece of the SBC-Ameritech merger, was already worth close to \$100 million."

Of course, there are other beneficiaries, such as Karin Stanford, the mother of Jackson's illegitimate child, who received a huge cash send-off from Jackson's charity and nonprofit empire when she moved to California. Jackson had to "amend" his income-tax return because he had left out this expenditure.

And this man is supposed to be a great moral leader. Sinclair Lewis, thou shouldst be living at this hour. Elmer Gantry, meet Jesse Jackson.

Bi-partisan commission would take realignment out of hands of politicians

Dear Editor:

State Republican Party Chair Susan Weddington's article regarding fairness in the redistricting process is laughable when referring to such a highly politicized process. However, getting the lines drawn every ten years following the publication of the new census figures can be done fairly and without the usual "germyandering" if a plan by Senator Jeff Wentworth is adopted.

For four consecutive legislative sessions, Senator Wentworth has proposed an amendment to the Texas Constitution establishing a citizens' bipartisan com-

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mission for redistricting. Taking this task: out of the hands of elected officials who have much to gain or lose in the process and having citizens who are interested only in balancing out districts in accordance to the population might relieve us taxpayers from paying out almost \$5 million in lawyers' fees after the district boundaries are drawn and then contested as happened in 1991.

When this plan was first

proposed, the Republicans, in the minority at the time, were highly in favor of it, but the Democrats were highly opposed. Now, however, the Republicans oppose it and the Democrats, now in the minority, want it! The League of Women Voters are in favor of such a plan. Sen. Wentworth's bill is S.B. 147, if you're interested.

Aliceanne Wallace
Belton, Texas

How to make dirty food seem clean



Jim Hightower

Open wide. Here comes another great big glob of globaloney they want to shove down your throat. This time, something called the Codex Alimentarius Commission want us to swallow a new "safety standard" on food irradiation. It might surprise you to know that this international commission sets global food safety standards for 160 nations -- including the US of A. I don't remember voting for this, do you?

Nonetheless, what won't surprise you is that this commission mostly exists to do what global food corporations want done, rather than to serve the public interest; and that's exactly what the Commission's new irradiation standard does. Irradiating food is itself a ploy by agribusiness giants to cover up their filthy processing methods, which have led to nasty outbreaks of food diseases. Rather than clean up the process, they simply want to zap our food with heavy doses of radiation.

As I've reported before, this is not good for food or humans, and surveys show consumers to be overwhelmingly against it. Agribusiness corporations don't care, however, and they're stealthily trying to rig the global rules so food irradiation essentially is left unregulated.

In recent closed door meetings, far away in the Netherlands, a subcommittee of the Commission has quietly proposed new standards stating that food irradiation facilities need not comply with "good hygiene practices," or be limited in the amount of radiation they use, or be staffed by "adequate, trained, and competent personnel," or be licensed and inspected by government officials.

And if even this is too much for the irradiators, the proposal states that corporations "should" rather than "shall" comply with these standards. Our country currently has stricter rules than this, but food corporations could use these new global standards to force us to comply with the Codex Alimentarius. To fight this, call Public Citizen at 202-588-1000.



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Martha Whitmore of Little River-Academy celebrated her 98th birthday at home March 31. Guests included her nephews and nieces, friends and her sister Allene Pruitt. She was born to James Erby and Mary Francis Dodson Whitmore in Coryell County, moved to McLennan County in her youth. She later moved to Bell County and lived many years in the Schwertner and Bartlett areas. She moved to Little River-Academy about one and a half years ago. She is a member of Val Verde Baptist Church.



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Corn and sorghum planted in between rain storms

By JAMES M. DAVIS
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Dry weather last week allowed thousands of acres of corn and sorghum to be planted across Central Texas.

Although this was six to seven weeks behind normal schedule, farmers are hoping for good rains throughout late May and all of June to make a crop this year.

Farmers who have grain sorghum emerging need to keep a close eye on the crop for green bugs. Green bug aphids are in the wheat fields and will rapidly move from the maturing wheat fields to sorghum fields. Green bugs can cause immediate damage to seedling sorghum plants. The plants that are not killed by the aphids will be stunted and never fully recover.

If a systemic soil insecticide is not down with the seed, spraying for green bugs and/or yellow sugarcane aphids may be warranted.

USDA released (March 20, 2001) the annual Prospective Plantings report. This report provides estimates of what crops growers intend to plant based on a survey of about 69,000 operators. Compared to a year ago (2000), US producers reportedly intend to plant fewer acres of corn and barley and more acres of soybeans and grain sorghum. Also, US producers expect to harvest more hay acres.

US corn growers intend to plant 76.7 million acres in 2001, down about 4 percent from 2000's 79.5

million acres. That was about 1 million acres less than many market analysts expected. Reports indicated that corn plantings would be down in all major production areas of the US. If planting intentions are realized, US corn acreage in 2001 will be the smallest since 1995. US barley plantings this year are expected to be down 9 percent (about 500,000 acres) from 2000's.

Producers expect to plant record large acreage to soybeans in 2001. At 76.7 million acres, US soybean acreage will match or exceed corn acreage for the first time since 1983. Of the 31 soybean producing states, 22 intend to plant more acreage in 2001. Sorghum acres planted are expected to be about 2 percent (about 175,000 acres) above 2000's.

From a livestock industry perspective, the most important number in this report was the corn acreage. US corn stocks should post year-to-year declines during the 2001/02 crop-marketing year unless the national average yield compensates for the acreage decline. If stocks decline, corn prices will be higher. For stocks to be unchanged in 2001/02 compared to 2000/2001's, the national average yield will likely need to be 142-143 bushels per acre or about 4 bushels above the 1994 record.

Extension programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, national origin or disability.

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The summer issue of the Salado: A Jewel in the Crown of Texas will be distributed at the gates during the Salado Art Fair in August.

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agents, bus tours, and groups planning to visit Salado are provided boxes of the magazine. Included in the Jewel magazine is a new user friendly shopping map of the village. To be listed on the shopping map, a business must have an ad in the Jewel.

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Cooking Corner Tips To Help You

Amazing, But True...California Produces Most Of America's Wild Rice

(NAPS)—When you think of wild rice, you probably think of Native Americans and birch-bark canoes, but think again. California is a significant producer of wild rice and has been for over 20 years. In fact, California makes up over half of the U.S. production of wild rice, boasting some 10.5 million pounds of the gourmet grain finished product produced last year. Wild rice in California is harvested with state-of-the-art equipment, unlike the hand-harvested methods still in use in some areas today. It is high quality, convenient, easy to prepare and versatile.

Low in fat, sweetly nutty and deliciously chewy, California grown wild rice is a natural in one of this season's most popular dishes—salads. Check out the following elegant example. The striking black and cream-colored grains are tossed with a tangy dressing and three more stars of California's springtime bounty—asparagus, snow peas and spring mix. Paired with juicy herbed chicken breasts, this is a lovely salad for a bridal shower, luncheon or patio supper.

California Wild Rice And Chicken Salad Dressing

- 6 tablespoons white wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 tablespoon minced shallots
- 2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
- Salt

Salad

- ½ cup walnut halves
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 2 cups dry white wine
- 1 cup (8 oz.) California wild rice
- 4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts (1¼ to 2 lb. total)
- ½ cup reduced-fat sour



- cream
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh tarragon
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh chives
- ½ pound asparagus, cut into 2-inch pieces
- ¼ pound snow peas, strings removed, halved
- ¼ pound spring mix or other lettuce torn into bite-size pieces

For the dressing, whisk together vinegar, oil, sugar, shallots, mustard, and salt to taste until smooth. Set aside or, if making ahead, cover and chill up to 2 days. Stir well before using.

Place walnuts in a small frying pan over medium-high heat. Shake or stir often until nuts are toasted, about 5 minutes. Pour from pan and set aside. (Nuts may be toasted up to 1 day ahead. Store airtight until serving time). In a 3- to 4-quart pan, combine broth and wine. Bring to a boil over high heat. Add wild rice, reduce heat, cover, and simmer until tender, 45 minutes to 1 hour. Uncover and boil off any remaining liquid. Remove from heat and cool to room temperature. (Rice may be cooked up to 1 day

ahead. Cover and chill until ready to use).

Place chicken in a 9-by-13-inch baking pan. Stir together sour cream, tarragon, and chives. Spread mixture evenly over chicken. Bake in a 350° oven until chicken is no longer pink in thickest part (cut to test), about 25 minutes. While chicken bakes, bring about 2 quarts of water to a boil in a 4- to 5-quart pan over high heat. Add asparagus and snow peas; cook just until they turn bright green, about 1 minute. Drain and immediately rinse vegetables in cold water until cool. Drain well. In a large bowl, combine wild rice, asparagus, snow peas, and spring mix. Add dressing and mix well. Divide salad among 4 serving plates. Cut chicken diagonally into slices and arrange next to salad. Garnish with toasted walnuts. Makes 4 servings.

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"Circling Back" a historical drama by Gary Holthaus, Director of the Institute for the Humanities at Salado, is an account of Custer's Last Stand at Little Big Horn as well as

the demise of the buffalo during the 19th Century in the United States.

Raymond Carver, Producer/Director of the Living Room Theatre, says the show is the first time he and Holthaus have performed together. "We'll play about 50 roles between us, Custer, Sitting Bull, infantry men, cavalry, Indians, and oldtimers," says Carver. "This show has got to be one of the most dynamic and vital historical dramas I have ever read. It's imaginative and lively

and awesome and - sometimes - funny and ironic, a retelling of what happened as it happened. From the beginning to the end, you'll be asking 'What's gonna happen next?'"

The show is being produced to raise funds for the 2001 Judy & A. C. Greene Literary Festival which will be held for the third time this year, June 6-9. The May 12th performance of "Circling Back" is open to the public. Reservation information will be announced soon.



Keeping an Eye on Texas

What's the hubbub about businesses in Texas?

Companies from around the nation and the world are choosing Texas as a hub for U.S. and regional business operations in a variety of sectors, and they are setting up shop in both the state's urban centers and smaller cities.

Factors that attract businesses to Texas:

- no personal income tax;
- labor force grows by nearly 100,000 each year;
- reformed worker's compensation laws, which result in lower employers' costs;
- right-to-work state with low unionization;
- low business taxes, and low energy and real estate costs; and
- convenient time zones for conducting national and international business.

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Prizes will be awarded. Some of the prizes given will be a manicure and a pedicure as well as a gift certificate from Cio. Seating for the show is limited and you must be present to win. Tickets are available at Cio or the Salado United Methodist Church. Tickets are \$5.

We are delighted to present the latest in Spring fashion and accessories for the Salado United Methodist Garden Guild. The fundraiser will be used for the Noah's Ark Project. This is such a worthwhile project and we are excited to help with this event," said Virginia Cosper of Cio...A Unique Ladies Boutique.

The Noah's Ark Project is a project sponsored by the Salado United Methodist Women. Through monetary donations, this project will provide animals and training to be self sufficient in countries throughout the world. The project offers shelter to families battered by the storms of hunger and poverty that are still raging around the world. Your



R-Wilma Smith-Floral two piece crepe dress by the designer DePeche'. Center Miriam Oliver- Jade green two piece linen pant ensemble by the designer J. Song. L- Elaine Herrick-Telluride linen dress in soft turquoise with lime trim and lime

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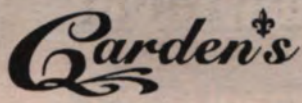
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Summer art classes offered at UMHB

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor's Art Department is offering art classes for summer 2001 beginning in June. The classes will be held in Presser Hall on campus. The cost for each of the classes is \$80.

be held on June 25-June 29 for ages 10 and older from 1-3:30 p.m. each day.

On July 9-13, from 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. a varied art experience for ages 5-7 and a clay art class for ages 10 and older will be offered.

class for ages 7-10 from 9-11:30 a.m. and a varied art experience for ages 10 and older from 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. For more information contact

Helen Kwaitkowski, art professor at UMHB at 295-4676 or hkwiatko@umhb.edu.

A mosaic art class will be held on July 16 - 20, a clay

UMHB forensics team holds workshop

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor's forensics team is providing a workshop 4-6 p.m. April 18, at Brindley Auditorium in York Science Center on 9th Street, on campus. This event is free and open to the public.

The presentations include the following: "The Hands that Hold the Car Keys Rules" by Erma Bombeck, prose performed by Suzanne White of Gatesville; "Boy's Life" by Robert McGamman, prose by Sarah Snyder

of Masillon, Ohio; "The Death of Rastus Reynolds", prose by Tabitha Koon of Austin; "The Prince of Tides", prose by Lindsey Bullard of Kerens; "Evita by Evita", prose by Natalia Trejo of Killeen; "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death", prose by Shannon Cunningham of Bruceville; "Princess Bride", prose by Sara Culpepper of Blanco; "Still I Rise" by Maya Angelou, Ballad of Birmingham by Dudley Randall, and "Negro" by

Langston Hughes, poetry by Christine Pointer of Belton; "The Raven", poetry by Kyle Horton; and "The Old Man and the Sea" by Ernest Hemmingway, prose by Matt Williams of Temple and "The Tourism Threat to Florida's Wood Storks", an informative with PowerPoint by Brandy Williams of Gatesville.

For more information contact Dr. Diane Howard, Professor of Drama at UMHB at 295-4685 or dhoward@umhb.edu.



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About once a year, many employees receive a packet of information relating to their compa-

nies' 401K. But many don't take time to read through the materials and develop a strategy for investing contributions.

Actually, very few of us

really know what's in our retirement plan. We sign up when we're eligible and then rarely look to see how our money is performing. In fact, a recent study showed that only about half of the participants in a 401K can name one investment option in their plan, and that most spend less than 10 hours a year evaluating or checking their investments.

Failing to take the time to study what your investment is doing may result in a loss of potential income, according to Extension Resource Management Specialists. And, with recent roller coaster prices of stocks, ignoring

your investment is really a big risk.

One of the best ways to ensure maximizing a 401K investment is to contribute as much as the plan allows. If you really want to save money for retirement, then it's important to contribute as much as possible. Otherwise, you are throwing away the opportunity to see your larger investment compound into a nice bundle when you're ready to retire. Never assume that you are contributing the max amount. Instead check it out and ask questions.

Although it may seem difficult for lower income employees to participate,

not participating is like throwing away free money. It's there for us to take, so we should invest enough to receive the employer's full match.

Resource Management Specialists with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service remind us that we should remember that past performance does not guarantee future returns. These results give us a historical perspective, but they cannot guarantee us anything in the future. Instead of focusing on the performance of the fund, examine the cost of the different options. If you are paying above-average annual expenses, you

might want to make some changes in your portfolio and select funds that have lower fees. It may save you money in the long-run.

It's like anything else we do. We can choose to let things roll along or we can take the time and effort to keep up with our options. Usually, we can save money and increase our investment if we'll take a few minutes to stay informed and evaluate our situation.

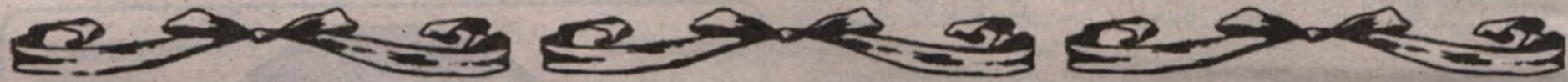
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Tony Cleaver speaks about Ding Dong, Texas

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Ding Dong is in Bell County. Where else, for goodness sake?

"Two brothers named Bell had a store here," says Ding Dong resident Tony Cleaver. "Those two brothers were named Ding and Dong. That's how the place got its name."

Tony Cleaver has spent a good part of his life in the pulpit, so you're inclined to believe most of what he says. Some of Tony's kinfolks say the place was named Ding Dong after Tony got there and was named for him.

Tony has some cats. "I think Six is back. Five is my lead cat and my new cat is Seven. I don't name my cats. I number them." For a hobby and supplemental income, Tony creates sawdust. He actually makes and repairs furniture in his well-equipped

shop near his house, which he calls Hallelujah House. "My wife's parents live with us and we laugh a lot."

He gets up early, way before sunrise. "I think it's genetic. My parents got up early and I think it was passed along to me in the genes. But I go to bed early. About 9 o'clock."

Tony taught elementary school for awhile, now is the counselor in the school at Florence, just down the road apiece.

He likes to sit on his front porch with a cup of coffee at dawn. "That's the best time to think, to read, to write, to meditate and just enjoy being in Ding Dong. When it's a full moon, you can see a lot of deer. The man who lives above me and the man who lives below me feed deer. I don't feed them. But one morning I was out here and saw a

white deer. I thought I had some real bad coffee. I didn't believe what I saw until I talked to my neighbor and he said yep, that's an albino deer. So I went back to drinking coffee."

Tony is a retired Army Chaplain. He teaches a Sunday School class at a nearby nursing home and occasionally does some preaching. "I was a preacher, but always wanted to be a minister. Ministers make more money."

He spends a lot of time in his shop, using some of the tools his grandfather used. His son helped build the shop. "Right now I'm working on a table for a short lady. I'm trying to make the table low enough so that when she sits down she can be com-

fortable. The legs are from an old sewing machine. I'm trying to put a top on it and make it sort of fancy with one of those sliding computer drawers under it. That's my current project."

He says doing physical work in his shop makes him think. He writes for some religious publications. A recent article was about things you don't find in a church bulletin. For instance: "We had to get new offering plates because the other ones were too small. People were just giving too much money." Here's another: "The parking lot had to have extra personnel to help people find a parking place because of the overflow crowds."



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The best of the piano babies were made by the Gebruder Heubach firm of Germany. They made dolls and figurines after 1820. Heubach figurines and piano babies are almost always marked. Copies have been made. The old figures have a small, pencil-sized hole in the bottom. The recent copies have large holes.

Q: My brother has an old basket that he says is made from an armadillo

shell. Can this be?

A: Armadillo baskets are curiosities that have been made in Texas since the late 1880s. Charles Apelt, a German basket weaver who had moved to Texas, accidentally discovered that the shell of a dead armadillo curled up as it dried. The tall could be positioned to make a handle for the shell basket. He began hunting and killing armadillos for baskets. Later, his company expanded and he made purses, lamps with armadillo shades, smoking stands and many other novelties. The company continued making gifts of armadillo shells until 1971.

Armadillo-shell baskets were very popular Texas souvenirs that sold for about \$3 in the 1940s. Today they are found in antiques shops and flea markets from time to time, priced at about \$85.

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

Easy Chicken and Dumplings

- 1 large fryer
- 1 can cream of chicken soup
- 1 large can flaky biscuits
- 1 cup flour

Cook chicken until it slips off bone easily. Piece chicken broth, boned chicken and soup in large cooking pan. Bring to a boil. Peel biscuits off in layers and roll in flour. Cut in strips and place in boiling broth. Cook fast for about 10 minutes, then turn heat to low and cook for about 30 to 40 minutes.

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So why, then, are not more people out walking, biking, jogging, hiking or just strolling?

Perhaps, says Jennifer Smith, director of the Community and Worksite Wellness Program at the Texas Department of Health (TDH), people may not know where these trails are.

With that thought in mind, two years ago TDH began building a database of trails. From the initial 150 entries, TDH now lists more than 450 trails in 89 counties.

"We want people to be aware of what's available, places that they can be out enjoying nature and getting some physical activity, either free or at a low cost," said Mary Guzman, who oversees the TDH registry.

The Texas Trail Registry, available on-line at

www.tdh.state.tx.us/trails/, offers information on public trails by county, from the 25-mile Kiwanis Park Trail in Angelina County to Yoakum County's 1.25-mile Denver City Recreational Trail. Details in the listing include trail name and location, manager, approved activities, estimated difficulty and length, hours, cost, facilities, wheelchair accessibility and scenery.

"We provide exposure to trails already built so they can be used more," Guzman said. "In addition, people may pick up ideas about what kinds of trails they can have in their communities. We have resources to help groups who are considering constructing trails."

The registry gives people a chance to find out about trails in their area or in places they may be visiting. "We want people to commit to physical activity and to have healthier lifestyles to prevent chronic disease," Guzman said. "And we certainly want to make it as easy as possible for them to get started and to keep going."

Visiting San Antonio? The Emilie and Albert Friedrich Wilderness Park Trail offers 4.5 miles for

walking, jogging, hiking and nature study in a nature preserve with Hill Country scenery, windmill and hilltop views at a moderate level of difficulty. On South Padre Island, look up the Isla Blanca Park Trail, an easy two miles with historic statue and marker, wetlands, ships and dolphins.

In Lubbock, look for the Lubbock Lake Landmark Nature Trails for walking, hiking, nature study and wildflowers of the Llano Estacado. Or in North Texas is the eight-mile Denton Branch Rail Trail along on old MKT railroad for walking, jogging, hiking, road and mountain bicycling, nature study or equestrian activities.

Helping communities develop programs and facilities that support and promote a physically active lifestyle is a basic component of the Community and Worksite Wellness Program. Smith points to the need in Texas to get people up, out and moving.

A 1998 physical activity survey by TDH shows that more than two-thirds of adult Texans are not getting a least 20 minutes of moderate to vigorous activity three times a week

— the amount of physical activity recommended for greater health benefits. And 32 percent of adult Texans reported a leading reason for not being more physically active is the lack of enough fitness facilities, sidewalks and bicycle lanes.

The Texas Trail Registry is a great place to get started, Guzman said. But the list is by no means complete. Planners, managers or those who use Texas trails may submit trail information to the registry on-line. People also may add information about trails that are currently listed.

All information is confirmed before being put on the site. The only exclusion is a trail that is for motorized vehicles. "We are going for physical activity" Guzman said.



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The McNay Art Museum will host the exhibition June 12-Aug. 19. The Frick Art Museum, Pittsburgh, will be the only other destination for the Nadelman exhibition tour (Sept. 21-Dec. 20).

The exhibition is organized by the American Federation of Arts. It is made possible in part by The Henry Luce Foundation, Inc. The exhibition is a project of ART ACCESS II, a program of the AFA with major support from the Lila Wallace-Reader's Digest Fund.

Featuring 46 figural sculptures in various mediums (bronze, marble, wood, ceramic, galvanoplastique, papier mache, and plaster) and 22 drawings, which underscore the artist's elegant schematic treatment of the human form, the *Rue Nadelman:*

Classical Folk exhibition reappraises Nadelman's distinct position within 20th-century American art.

A native of Poland, Elie Nadelman (1882 - 1946) successfully combined the classical figure tradition and American folk art, creating a highly original body of work and a major contribution to modern art in America. With a unique fusion of past and present, traditional and modern, high and low, classical and folk, Nadelman's expressive sculpture paid tribute to the skills of European craftsmen and demonstrated a personal appreciation for American folk art. His early works retain the contour and silhouette typically found in Greek sculpture while updating them wittily with the addition of a contemporary bowler hat or bowtie. By the 1920's, Nadelman captured expressive moments in time using dancers and performers as preferred subjects for his art. He expertly caught figures in motion, maintain-

ing a grace and composure achieved through curves and convex forms. This balancing act that Nadelman performed between the classical and contemporary lies at the root of his art.

About the McNay

Housed in what was the home of the late Marion Koogler McNay, the McNay Art Museum focuses primarily on 19th and 20th century European and American art.

Artists featured include Cezanne, Picasso, Gauguin, Matisse, O'Keeffe, Cassatt, and Hopper. The museum's collection of prints and drawings is one of the finest in the Southwest.

The Tobin Collection of Theatre Arts is one of the premier collections of its kind in the country. Contemporary art and modern sculpture are growing strengths of the McNay collection, which now numbers over 13,000 objects.

Opened in 1954, the McNay was the first modern art museum in

Texas. Marion Koogler McNay left her art collection, her Mediterranean-style residence, and an endowment "for the advancement and enjoyment of modern art." The 23 acres of grounds, which include fountains, broad lawns, and a Japanese inspired garden and fish pond, are popular for picnics and photography. The museum also features a research library with 30,000 volumes, the 300-seat Leeper Auditorium, and a Museum Store.

Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. The Museum is closed on Mondays, January 1, July 4, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. Admission is free.

There is a nominal charge for selected special exhibitions.

Information about the McNay exhibitions, programs, and special events is available on the McNay website at www.McNayArt.org.

Unemployment still lower than national rate

March's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Texas rose to 4.1 percent from a revised 3.8 percent in February the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) announced.

"Even though the unemployment rate is up from February, it is four tenths of a percentage point lower than the March 2000 statewide rate," said TWC Chair Diane Rath. "This also is the fourth month in a row it has been lower than the

national rate."

Nonagricultural employment grew by 21,700 jobs in March and added 258,000 jobs over the year.

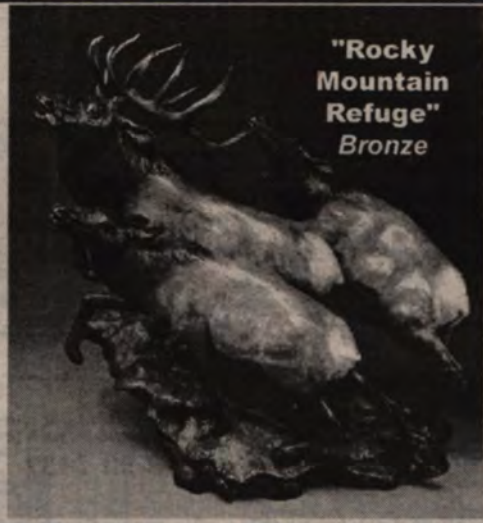
"Mining showed tremendous strength with its highest monthly percentage gain (1.4 percent) in the last eleven years," said Commissioner Representing Labor T.P. O'Mahoney. "This surge was due largely to 2,000 new jobs in Oil and Gas Exploration."

"Finance, Insurance and Real Estate grew by 2,400 jobs in March," said Commissioner Representing Employers Ron Lehman. "This is an encouraging development since this is the industry's largest monthly job gain in the last 21 months."

The lowest unemployment rate among the Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in March was 1.4 percent in Bryan-College

Station. Austin-San Marcos was next at 2.5 percent, followed by 2.6 percent in San Angelo and 2.8 percent in Lubbock. Amarillo and Wichita Falls tied for fifth at 3.0 percent.

The highest unemployment rate was 12.8 percent in McAllen Edinburg Mission, followed by 7.7 percent in Brownsville Harlingen, 7.4 percent in El Paso, 7.0 percent in Laredo

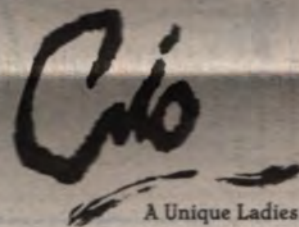


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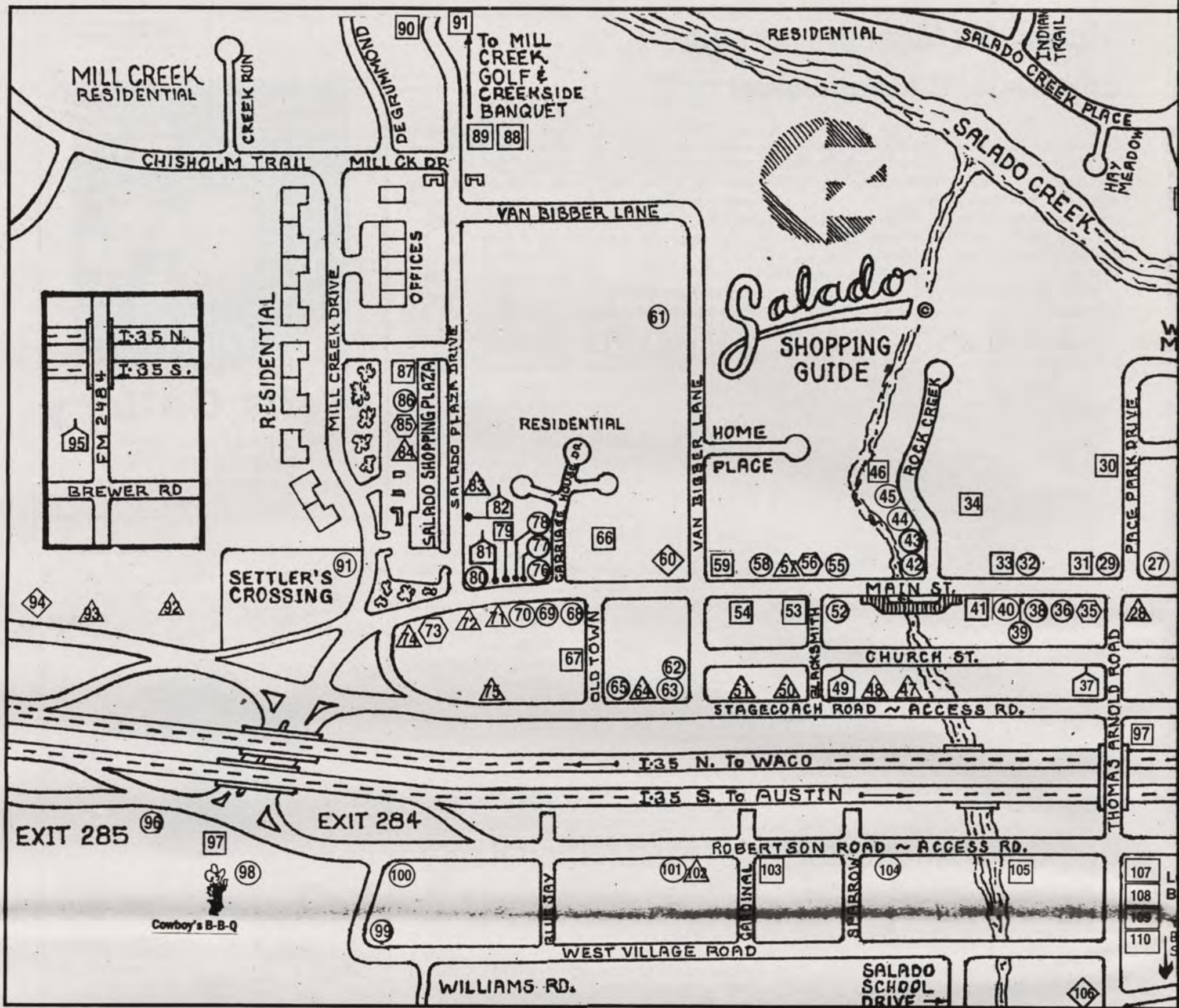


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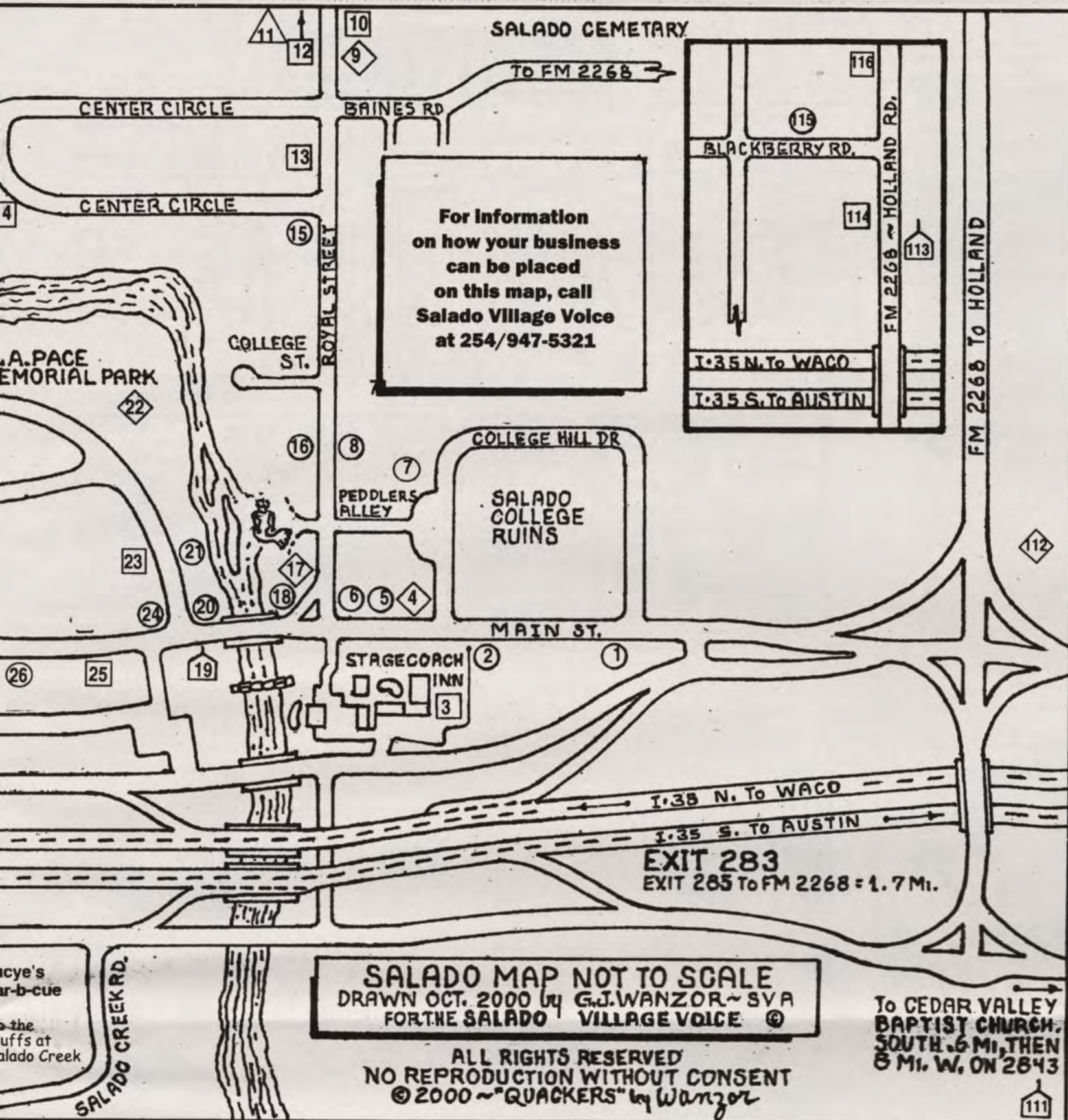
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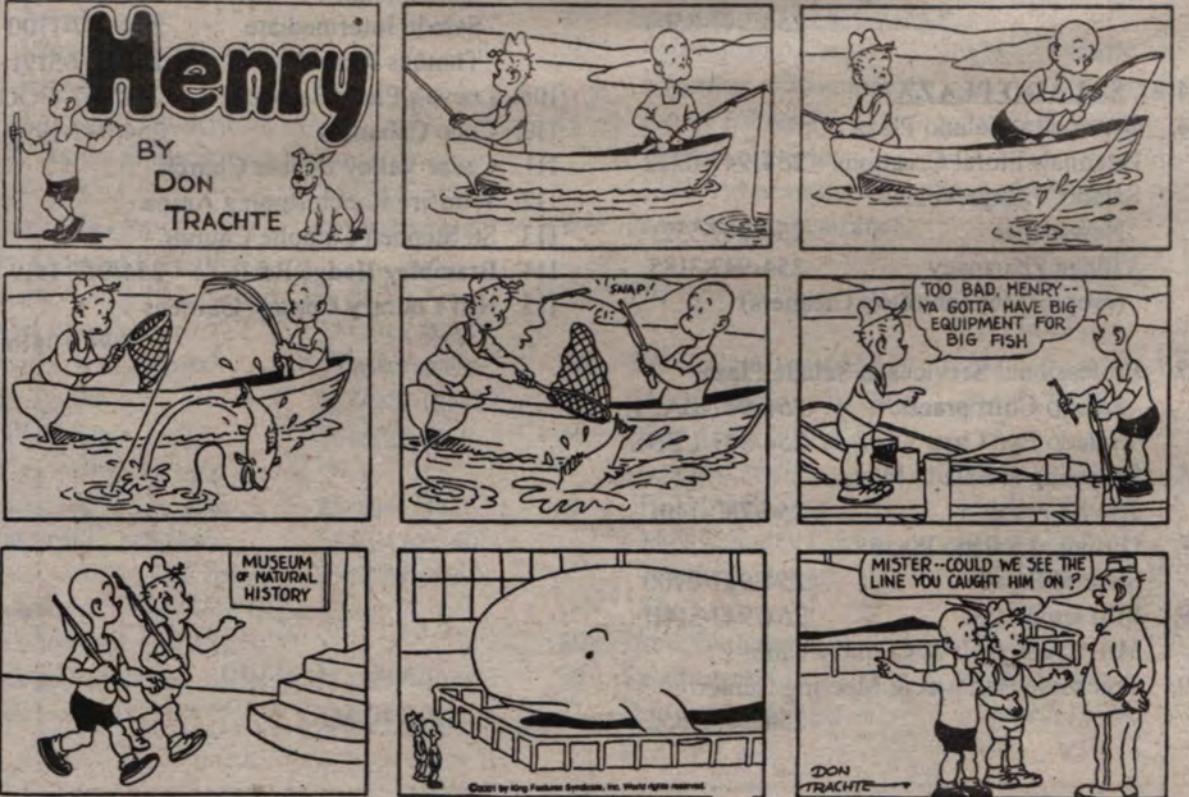
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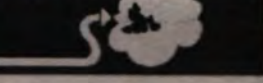
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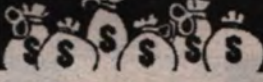
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Q: In a previous column I talked about countersinking nail heads that had risen above the deck's surface. What does countersink mean, and how do I do it? — Jessica T., Minneapolis

A: When I was much, much younger, I thought that "countersinking" had something to do with kitchen remodeling!

But seriously, countersinking is an important step when working with nails or screws. Basically, you're bringing the nail flush with the surface of the wood so that it's less noticeable. This is important on surfaces like a deck, which often hosts bare feet.

The last thing you want to feel on a smooth deck is the metal edge of a nail head.

To make nails flush with the wood surface, simply tap them into place with a hammer. My uncle was always able to countersink nails properly with one good whack, but I'm a little more careful. If the nail doesn't sink easily into the wood, don't hit it hard — you might damage the surface. Place a nail punch (usually a bigger nail with the sharp end flattened out) over the head of the nail and tap the punch gently until the nail head is even with the wood. Screws are a bit easier to countersink; use an electric drill to place the screw, then switch to a screwdriver and give the

screw a few good twists into place.

Another technique used to ensure a smooth surface is sinking the nail or screw head slightly below the surface of the wood — about a quarter-inch — and filling the resulting hole with putty or a wood plug. The proper term for this method is "counterbore," although most DIY-ers still call it "countersinking." Usually it's not much cause for confusion, but if someone tells you to countersink a nail and you're not sure which method to use, just ask if he or she wants it flush, or below the surface.

Placing screws below the surface — counterboring them — is simple; you use the electric drill to

drive the screw in until the head is about 1/4 inch below the wood surface. Nails are a bit tougher. Once you've pounded them flush with the surface, take the nail punch, set it in the center of the nail head, and tap the nail down below the surface. Again, tap gently at first and increase the force until the nail begins to sink. Once the nail or screw is below the surface, fill the new hole with wood putty, smooth and let dry.

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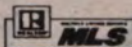
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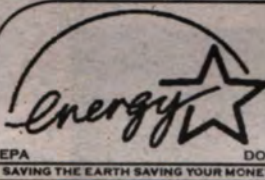
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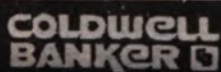
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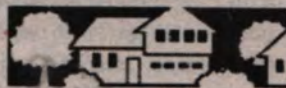
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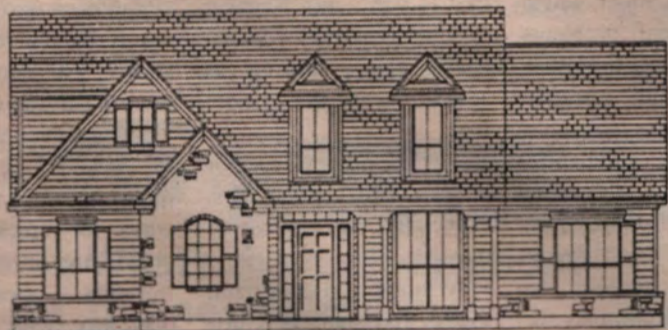
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So, here's a short list of areas that you need to check before June, from the top of the house down:

Chimney. Inspect the outside of the chimney for damage or wear, making sure the flashing and other sealants are watertight. Use a flashlight to look around the upper inside of the

chimney and check the buildup of creosote deposits; if more than 1/8 inch coats the chimney walls, call a professional right away.

• Rooftop. Look for torn or curling shingles; repair or replace them.

• Gutters and flashing. Inspect every inch of the rain gutters and clear away debris and clogs. Press down gently on every seam to make sure the connection is still solid. Replace torn or leaking sections. Make sure flashing is sealed, with no visible rust.

• Upper walls. Check for streaks, mold or cracks, especially on stucco or masonry.

• Window and door trim, sashes and shutters. Curling or damaged wood must be replaced and repainted; shutters should open and close easily.

Clean away light rust and

oil the shutter hinges; replace corroded hinges.

• Lower walls and base. Look for cracks or holes along the lower walls, as well as gaps between the corners of siding or between siding and masonry foundations. Repair small cracks as soon as you find them. Also, check for termite tunnels along the foundation.

• Deck, patio and driveway. Inspect decks for deterioration caused by years of exposure, including splintered or warped wood; note boards that sag under your weight, as well as protruding nails or screws. Check concrete patios and driveways for cracks, stains, crumbling or other deterioration; clean your driveway with an environmentally safe detergent. Send questions or home repair tips to home guru2000@hotmail.com.



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\$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.



\$199,900 - New construction in Wild Rose Subdivision. Countryside view from back porch. Stone exterior with brick accents. A bonus room is upstairs with a full bath. The large room could be an office, game room, exercise room or 4th BR. Formal dining room & breakfast room. 4 BR, 3 BA home to be completed in May.



\$259,000 - The "Chateau" has many upgraded energy saving packages including solar board roof decking & Tyvek house wrap. Wiring is ready for the internet, computer networking, satellite, surround & outdoor sound. Upgraded Kohler fixtures, satin chrome hardware & designer light fixtures.



\$299,021 - Location, Location, Location! This gorgeous one year old home is within walking distance of downtown Salado. Many custom features make this home elegant, yet cozy.



Real Estate a Safe Investment! Residential

- \$119,500 - Stone home on .647 acre. Stone faced fireplace in living room.
- \$124,900 - 3 BR, 2 BA home in quiet neighborhood. **Under Contract**
- \$129,900 - 4 BR Mill Creek home on cul-de-sac. Deluxe master, large den.
- \$130,000 - 3 BR, 2 BA new home. Split bedroom plan. **Under Contract**
- \$144,900 - 3 BR, 2 BA, study. Recently updated kitchen and master bath!
- \$148,900 - New construction. 4 BR, 2 BA five minutes from Stillhouse Lake.
- \$144,900 - Patio home on the golf course. 3 BR, 2 BA, studio above garage.
- \$169,900 - On almost 10 acres, this new home allows you to enjoy country living.
- \$169,900 - Walking distance to Pro Shop. Granite counter tops.
- \$169,900 - Only minutes from Salado, Belton or Temple. New home on 10 acres.
- \$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. **Under Contract**
- \$189,900 - 3 BR, 2 BA on 11.51 acres. Outbuildings and hay barn included.
- \$199,321 - 4 BR, 2 BA located in Mill Creek Springs.
- \$199,900 - New construction in Wild Rose. \$ BR, 3 BA countryside view.
- \$210,000 - 10' ceilings, fireplace, breakfast nook, 4 BR, 3 BA.
- \$214,900 - 7-1/2 acres, fenced, wood burning stove, oversized kitchen.
- \$215,000 - 10 acres of trees surround stone home. **Under Contract**
- \$225,000 - Overlook 14th Fairway. Home with gameroom. **Under Contract**
- \$225,000 - 3 BR, 3 BA Mill Creek home with indoor pool and hot tub.
- \$228,000 - 4 Br, 2 BA ranch style Austin stone on 20 wooded acres.
- \$259,000 - Cornerstone home with upgraded energy saving package.
- \$269,800 - 4 BR, 2-1/2 BA Cornerstone Custom Home. Covered Patio.
- \$269,900 - Hardwood floors grace this 3 BR, 3 BA home. Pool.
- \$289,000 - Country home with 7 wooded acres and wrap around porch.
- \$299,021 - Elegant home within walking distance of downtown Salado.
- \$344,900 - Texas style home on 19+ fenced acres. Fruit trees & greenhouse.
- \$438,000 - Texas style ranchette. In-door pool, hot tub & waterfall. Wooded.
- \$548,900 - 5 BR, 3-1/2 BA overlooking Creek and 8th Fairway on golf course.

Commercial Property

- 3 acres along I-35, at Amity West.
- \$110,800 - Commercial or investment opportunity. Approximately 1401 S.F.
- \$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

- 150 acres on Hwy 36 at Temple Airport.
- 85 acres on Shanklin Rd. 2 miles Southwest of Belton. **Under Contract**
- 23.4 acres 14 miles S. of Killeen, All woods, good hunting. \$75,000.
- 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.

Lots

Mill Creek Lots

- Chisholm Trail - \$26,900
- 700 Indian Trail - \$36,000
- Old Mill Rd & S. Ridge - \$39,900

Other Lots

- Amanda Circle (2 lots) - \$9,500 each
- Hodge Canyon Dr. - \$22,000
- #8 Oak Park - \$8,000
- Whispering Woods - \$12,000 (Belton)

- Mill Creek Springs - \$30-\$75,000

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

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\$148,900 - New construction on large lot. Peaceful and serene with a country style exterior accented with stone. A bonus room is upstairs with the versatility of a 4th BR, office, or a game room. Formal dining room & breakfast room. The living room is accented with a vaulted ceiling & fireplace. Five minutes from Stillhouse Lake. 4 BR, 2 BA home to be completed in May.



\$438,000 - Roomy Texas style ranchette. Completely updated with tile and hardwood floors. Very large rooms. New in ground pool with hot tub & waterfall. Heavily wooded lot. RV/boat parking, storage shed.



\$289,000 - 7 wooded acres just north of Salado, rustic 4 BR, 2-1/2 BA home features 3 fireplaces! Recently updated, including slate floors throughout kitchen, living, dining & den. Wrap around porch & large wood deck with fireplace provide a relaxing retreat. Detached office is heated & cooled. Large metal workshop. Property is fenced.



\$210,000 - Mill Creek Springs equals first class! New Home under construction in new golf course community. Large great room, bright and open - 10' ceilings with fireplace and built-ins. Breakfast nook & formal DR. 4 BR, 3 BA.

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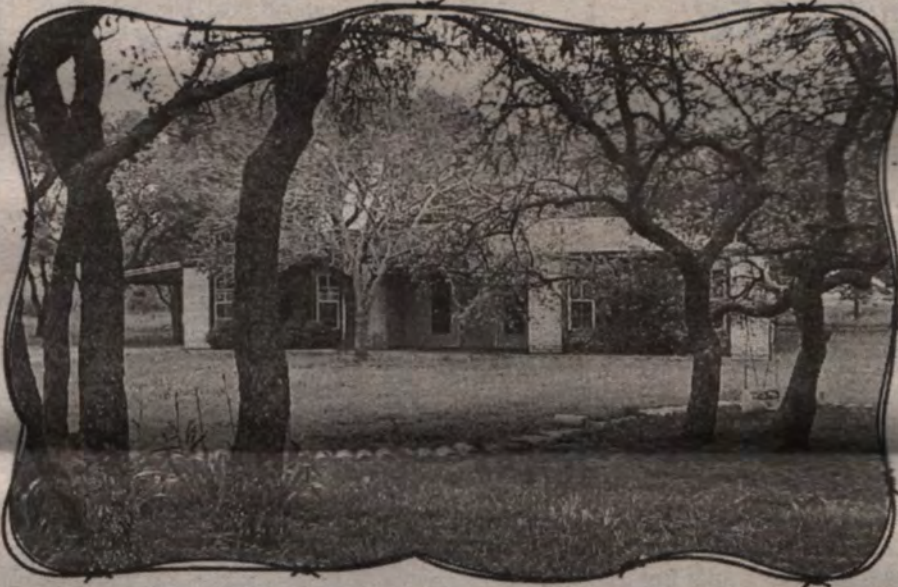
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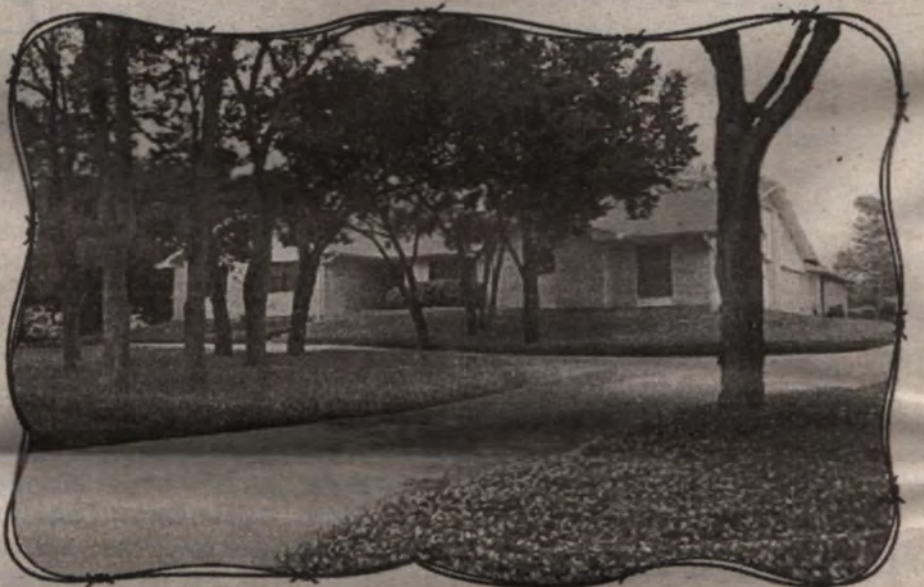
3/2,5 in Mill Creek has 2 living areas and a 2 car garage. Features a wood deck, jacuzzi and sprinkler system. **\$169,000.**



Over 5,000 square foot, office and storage for retail or commercial with 3 bedroom, 2 bath rock home about 1.2 acres fronting on Village Rd. just off I35. **\$339,900.**



Home facing FM 2484 has 4 bedrooms and 3 baths, large family room and a extra large stone fireplace. Home sits on 2.99 acres covered with trees. **\$139,500.**



"Tee in Mill Creek" 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, exercise room, large shop, beautiful landscaped on #2 at Mill Creek. A must see! **\$269,999**

Residential Listings

\$115,900: Quiet setting on one acre. This one year old Austin stone home with tin roof close to Belton, Killeen and Salado I.S.D.

\$139,500: House facing FM 2484 has 4 bedrooms and 3 baths, one large family room and a extra large stone fireplace. This home sits on 2.99 acres covered with beautiful trees.

\$269,999: 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, exercise room, large shop, beautiful landscaped on #2 at Mill Creek. A must see!

One of Mill Creek's Finest! 5,500 SF home, 5 BR/5 BA, formal living & dining areas on 3.5 wooded acres. Features tennis court. **Under Contract.** Call Jerry @ 254-760-6576, 947-9221 or 947-5577.

Temple Area

\$68,000: This 3/2/1 freshly painted and ready for new owners. Within walking distance to Western Hill Elementary. Large back yard with dog run.

Belton Area

\$88,000: Near Belton 3/2/2 only one year old. Easy access to Killeen and Temple.

Acreage Available

- 1/2 acre facing FM 2484. \$12,500.
- 2 one acre lots on Sam Neil. \$15,000 per acre.
- 3 acres commercial fronting I-35, 1 mile S. of Salado, \$79,900.
- 3 acres fronting Rose Lane outstanding trees for home site. \$34,900.
- 5 acres with pond. **Under Contract**
- 8 acres on Smith Dairy. \$40,000.

Sunwest Estates & Acreage

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TRACT	ACRES	PRICE
1	5.34	47,900
2	SOLED	
3	53.27	3,900 per acre 30 acre minimum
4	62.06	3,900 per acre 30 acre minimum
5	13.56	64,900
6	SOLED	69,900
7	SOLED	139,900
8	SOLED	194,900
9	SOLED	149,900
10	SOLED	69,900
Lot 1	SOLED	47,900
Lot 2	4.82	57,900
Lot 3	6.09	59,900
Lot 4	6.38	62,900

Water: Well water, Edwards Formation
Taxes: Bell County and Salado ISD currently Ag Exempt
Schools: Salado ISD
Zoning: Deed Restrictions
Topography and Vegetation: gently rolling terrain with large Live Oaks, Elms, Spanish Oaks and many other trees common to this area
Location: 2.5 miles West of I-35 and FM 2843 intersection fronting the South side of FM 2843

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Available

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30 acres on Smith Dairy Rd. Panoramic hilltop view. 5 minutes to Belton or Salado. \$2,950/acre.
62.5 acres. Pendleton area. \$850 per acre.
928 acres Southwest of Salado. Beautiful rolling tree country with live creek and large lake on property. Excellent views. Outstanding wildlife.

Country Homes

Ranch House with barn. This home offers 3 bedroom, 2 bath on 3 acres. Beautiful landscaping. Unique setting! **\$150,000.**

Salado Lots

- Indian Trail at Blaylock, large corner lot, 90x188 - \$36,000.
- Indian Trail - 90x188 - \$34,000.
- Quail Hollow at Indian Trail, corner lot - \$39,000.

Bluffs at Salado Creek

- Phase II
- Lot #1 2.28 acre \$45,000
 - Lot #2 **SOLED**
 - Lot #3 **Under Contract**

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