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Hometown newspaper of William and Joyce Wright

Village may hire Chief

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Village of Salado aldermen will meet 6:30 p.m. June 28 to interview two finalists for the Chief of Police position: Alan Rogers and Charles Thompson. The board may hire the new Chief at the meeting.

Rogers is currently employed by the Killeen Independent School District police department. Rogers lives within the Village of Salado and currently serves as Marshal, a position that will be eliminated when the Chief of Police position is filled.

Thompson is employed by the Texas Department of Corrections. He lives in the Salado area.

Alderman Rick Ashe reported that his committee interviewed four of the five applicants for the position. The committee is unanimous in its ranking of the candidates.

I-35 expansion

County Commissioner Tim Brown went before Village of Salado aldermen June 21 to garner support for a third option to the expansion of I-35 through Salado.

He discussed a possible option for consideration by Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) that would include an additional set of exit ramps within the existing right of way.

Brown said that, by putting in an additional set of exit ramps within the existing right of way, TXDOT may "preserve the integrity of businesses on the west side of the interstate while maintaining adequate access to the Main Street businesses."

He said that TXDOT engineers would more likely consider this new option if the board of aldermen and citizens of Salado "let them know that you

are not satisfied with just an either/or option."

Brown explained that his option would provide a set of exit ramps at the north end of Main St.

Under the current "narrow option" plan, which would be realized within the existing right of way, exit and entrance ramps at the Thomas Arnold crossover and at the Main St. entrance would be eliminated. The only entrance ramps would be at FM 1670 (Stillhouse Hollow) and FM 2268 (Holland Rd.).

"With adequate signage on the interstate," Brown said, "you could insure that people know when to pull off for Salado."

Coach Smith, owner of Salado Dairy Queen, said that "most of the businesses on the west side would rather go with the wide option."

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The parade, shown above, is a large part of the Fourth of July festivities in Belton.

It's rodeo time July 4!!

Belton Rodeo 2001 marks 77 years of rodeo tradition. The Rodeo will kick off July 4 and continue through July 7 with performances at 7:45 p.m. nightly.

The Western Mercantile Store held in the Bell County Expo arena concourse will have exhibitors selling western art, gifts, crafts, antiques, collectibles, clothing accessories, tack and other items.

On July 5 children ages 8 and under with a stick horse and accompanied by an adult ticket holder will get into the Rodeo free. There will be prizes for the 20 best decorated stick horses and crowning of the Stick horse King and Queen. All children need to arrive no later than 7:15. At precisely 7:30 p.m. children will be led on a Grand Entry Parade by the Bell County Sheriff's Posse mounted on stick horses!

July 5 is PFG Family Night, with all General Admission tickets priced at only \$5 each and free hot dogs to the first 500

ticket holders.

Area FFA Chapter members in Bell County will try their ranching skills in the Steer Saddling Event each evening July 4-6. The Steer Saddling Event is very competitive, demonstrates determination and generates a lot of laughs as members of the teams scramble to put a saddle on a wild 'n' woolly steer and ride across the finish line. Winning teams receive custom-made belt buckles, trophies and plaques.

A real crowd pleaser is the Mutton Bustin'. This event is for kids ages 4-7 between 42 1/2 inches and 53 inches tall. Kids can come grab some wool, test their skills and ride sheep for prizes. Those interested can register at Benny Boyd Dodge in Temple 2 p.m. June 30. Fourteen young cowboys and cowgirls will get their chance in the arena each evening as they mount their trusty sheep and head for the thrill of their lives. Some of the prizes will be t-shirts, bandanas and trophies.

July 6 is Military Appreciation Night with \$2 off admission for military personnel with identification. A new event this year will be the Wild Cow Milking Contest. Businessmen from the Belton community will participate in this event. Five teams consisting of three men per team will try their cowboy skills in the attempting-to-milk wild cows. Also following the rodeo on July 6th visitors can enjoy music from The Mungiazz (North Texas Boyz).

The Rodeo Committee has put together an action packed night of entertainment for spectators July 7 starting with the Miller-Lite Professional Bullfighting Tour, featuring the top Professional and freestyle bullfighters in the world. Then moving on to the Bull Riding Blast, where cowboys are judged on their ability to stay aboard a twisting bucking bull in an 8-second time frame and concluding with Cory Morrow in Concert. The cost of the concert will be included with the price of a rodeo ticket (adult \$11-\$13 children \$8-\$11).

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Annual picnic July 4

Salado residents will have the opportunity to celebrate our nation's oldest national holiday on July 4 at the traditional picnic hosted by the Salado Historical Society at 6 p.m. in the Pace Park Pavilion. Boy Scout Troop 115 from Salado United Methodist Church will set the stage for the patriotic program with the presentation of the colors.

Program chair Eleanor Dugger has arranged an Old Fashioned All-American Sing-along, directed

by Craig and Valerie Pitrucha. Mr. Pitrucha heads choral activities at Belton High School, and Mrs. Pitrucha is a teacher and accompanist at Belton Junior High. The Pitruchas also direct the choir at Salado Methodist Church.

Interspersed with the group's singing of patriotic songs will be soloists from the area performing tuba, trumpet and vocals. The complete program will be announced next week.

Salado Historical Soci-

ety will furnish fried chicken, bread, rolls, iced tea and tableware as it does every year. Guests should bring a salad, side dish or dessert for up to eight people.

"The food and program will appeal to all ages," said Mary Jean Boston, "and inclement weather will not change the plans for the evening."

Mrs. Boston says that guests are encouraged to wear patriotic red, white and blue.

SISD gets bids on roof

By TIM FLEISCHER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Bids for repair of the Salado High School roof and for lighting at the softball field are at least \$40,000 higher than Salado ISD trustees estimated when they called for approval of \$1.3 million in bonds for maintenance and improvement items at the school campuses. Trustees may offset much of this difference by approving the lowest proposal for resurfacing the high school track, which came in approximately \$30,000 less than original estimates by trustees.

Trustees met in special session June 26 to discuss the bids and recommendations from the facilities committee. The meeting was after presstime for this issue. Results will be published next week.

The lowest bid for the roofing project came from Johnson Roofing, of Waco, at \$178,183. The low bid will recover the existing roof with a rubber base. It excludes any repairs to the junior high wing, as well as redoing the skylights in

the athlete area and the drains.

Dodson Contractors, of Garland, bid \$185,940 for the same job, while Parsons Roofing, of Waco, bid \$266,316.

Johnson Roofing was the lowest bidder on the rubber roof to include redoing the skylights, drains and repairing the roof over the junior high wing: \$213,812. Dodson was next at \$213,940.

Contractors also bid the job based on replacing the roof with a pitched cold tar roof. Advantage USAA, of Spring Branch, was low bidder overall at \$268,000. Parsons Roofing was next at \$336,460.

Advantage was also lowest when deducting the junior high wing and other repairs at \$240,000. Parsons was next lowest at \$288,677.

Trustees estimated the cost to repair the high school roof at \$135,000 based on resurfacing it with a rubber roof.

One company bid to replace the lights at the softball field. Heritage Specialty bid \$24,985 for replacing four poles,

\$29,985 for replacing six poles and \$5,000 for underground wiring. The estimated cost for lights at the softball field was \$20,000.

Three companies made bids on up to six options to resurface the track. The lowest bid to put 3/8" on top of the current track surface was \$33,825 from Vibra-Whirl. Vibra-Whirl bid \$39,544 to put 1/2" on top of the current track surface.

Southwest Recreation bid the lowest amount for removing the current surface and recovering with a 3/8" base: \$43,379. Track Master bid \$43,946 and Vibra-Whirl \$47,885. Track Master will provide a five year warranty while Southwest will provide a three-year warranty.

Southwest also gave the lowest bid on replacing the current surface with a 1/2" surface: \$44,498. Track Master bid \$51,915. Both would provide a five year warranty.

Southwest also bid on surfacing the track with a polyurethane: \$56,994 and \$63,000.

What's happening around here?

JUNE 25-29

First Baptist Church of Salado will hold its annual Vacation Bible School 9 a.m.-noon June 25-29. For transportation, please call 947-5465.

JUNE 28

Salado Wastewater Advisory Committee meets 9 a.m. at the Civic Center

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.

AUGUST 17-18

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

OCTOBER 6

"Celebrate Salado" formal reception 5:30 p.m. at Civic Center. City wide Bar-B-Que dinner 7 p.m. at Pace Park.

OCTOBER 12-13

Christmas in October 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 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.

DECEMBER 7

Mill Creek Community Association Christmas Gala 6 p.m. at The Inn at Salado in the pavilion.

To have your meeting listed on this calendar of events, call 254-947-5321.

Meetings of Salado organizations are listed free of charge. If your group changes its meeting time or location, please call us to update the list.

JULY 21

Salado Legends performance at Tablerock.

JULY 23-26

Salado Football Camp 8:30-11:30 a.m. at Salado High School. For more information call Coach Cheatham at 947-0803.

JULY 23-27

St. Stephen's Catholic Church Vacation Bible School 6-9 p.m. Information call 947-8037.

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 7

The 17th Annual National Night Out.

call 947-3617

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

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

Wednesday

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

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

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

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

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

Thursdays

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

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

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

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

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

Saturdays

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

Regular Meetings

Mondays

Democrats: 1st Mon. 7 p.m. at Civic Center. Will not meet until August.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Tuesdays

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

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 Postponed until Sept. any questions call Marilyn at the Salado Village Voice 947-5321

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

Concert at Wallace on Salado United Dean's List

Methodist on July 8

Dr. Kim Neill Van Cura and Dr. John Van Cura are creating, designing and producing a festival of music dedicated to promoting culture and harmony within the Salado community, as well as the surrounding areas of Salado.

The performance of Music in Salado will be held Sunday 4 p.m. July 8 in the historic Salado United Methodist Church. This performance entitled the "Four Tenors...and a Few Friends" will include American spirituals and sacred music, operetta, opera, oratorio, art songs and musical theater. Plans are to have a musical concert each month through Christmas.

Students from Baylor University and performers from around the community will be featured along with the Van Cura Family.

Dr. Kim Neill Van Cura, founder and artistic director of music in Salado believes in the quote of Frederick De Lius: "music is the outburst of the soul." She and her husband are great believers in the beauty of music. They committed to this music endeavor. The community is invited to the performances. Admission is free.

Salado students honored at Texas A&M graduation

Diplomas were awarded to approximately 4,650 Texas A&M University graduates during spring commencement ceremonies. Five students from Salado received degrees, including:

Kyle Louis Anderson graduated with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree.

Marissa Elaine Lindley received a Bachelor of Business Administration in accounting and was awarded a Master of Science degree in finance.

Kyle Charles Whitacre received a Bachelor of Science degree, majoring in journalism.

Stephen Palmer McIntire received a Doctor of Philosophy majoring in educational administration.

Scot England Sloan graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree majoring in sociology.

Deans Honor Roll In addition to the graduates Elizabeth Amy Boyd was named to the Dean's Honor roll for the spring semester. Boyd is majoring in management.

Beau Wallace of Salado was included in the Dean's List at Wayland Baptist University for the spring semester. Students included on the list maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average for the semester, while carrying at least 12 hours.

Wallace is the son of Franklin and Beverly Wallace.

Ann Benton named to board of directors

Families in Crisis, Inc. announced that Charles J. Reinhardt, Jr. of Killeen, Eva Farley of Temple and Krystyn Barnett of Belton has been added to the agency's Board of Directors. Following the departure of Rita Simmons, Ann Benton of Salado has been named to the agency's Board of Directors Advisory Committee.

Families in Crisis, Inc. a 501(c)(3) non-profit United Way agency, offers emergency safe shelter and outreach services to victims of family violence and sexual assault in Bell, Coryell and Hamilton counties, including Fort Hood.

Wastewater Committee meets June 28

The Salado Wastewater Advisory Committee is scheduled for 9 a.m. June 28 at the Salado Civic Center.

The meeting will be to discuss the progress of the study, receive input from the Advisory Committee with regard to the direction of the study and to discuss the progress of the local cost-share collection effort.

Local reunion has over 180 attending

Over 180 attended the annual Salado Reunion June 9.

Special recognition was given to the Salado High School Class of 1951, celebrating its 50th anniversary, and the Class of 1966, celebrating its 35th anniversary. Gifts were given to the oldest graduate in attendance, Stannie Moss Lee, class of 1928; the youngest person in attendance, Sean Clements, age three; and to the person traveling the longest distance, Emily Griffith Wade, of California.

Fred Fuller, class of 1968, provided entertainment for the event, leading a group singing of several hymns and the school song, "Red & White Forever."

Guests enjoyed a catered barbecue lunch and time to visits each other during the morning and early afternoon.

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You are invited to attend the Annual Installation of Officers of Salado Masonic Lodge #296

July, 2001 at 7:00 p.m.

at the Salado Masonic Lodge on Church St.

Grand Master David Dibrell will be the Installing Master.

Tim Rivers - Master elect

Services for Stanley Champ McDaniel held in Dallas

Stanley Champ McDaniel, age 80 died June 23, 2001 in Temple. Interment will take place June 28 at at the Veterans Military Cemetery 3000 Mountain Dr. Parkway, Dallas, TX.

Stanley Champ McDaniel was born April 26, 1921 in Santa Fe, Oklahoma.

He was a 1942 graduate of Oklahoma A&M (OSU).

He was a Retired Major in the U.S. Marine Corps having receiving many decorations as a veteran of WWII including Navy Cross, Bronze Star, two Purple Hearts and numerous group citations. Wounded in Siapan, he later lost his right arm on Iwo Jima.

He was the first one-armed Certified Public Accountant in America, and eventually became controller of the Air Force Commissaries worldwide. He retired in 1984 and he and his wife moved to Salado in 1998. He was an active Salado Lion Club member.

Survivors include his wife of 56 years Betty, a sister Oleta Eldridge of Oklahoma City and brothers Gail of Freer, TX and Don of Fountain Valley, CA.; five children: daughters Diane Barton of Round Rock, TX, Lisa Hairston of Salado, Mindy McDaniel of Annapolis, Maryland; sons Stanley of Dallas, TX and Randy of Conroe, TX.

Granddaughters Danielle and Vanessa Thomas, Virginia McDaniel; grandsons John Hairston, Edward McDaniel, Ashley McDaniel and Travis McDaniel.



Couchman's art on display

Heidi Couchman is the current designate of the Salado Village Artists "Artist of the Month" award. Examples of her work are displayed in the lobbies of Compass Bank and First State Bank in Salado. She works in various mediums including oils, acrylics, watercolor, pen and

ink, and porcelain and she has chosen representative samples for display.

Her formal training as a brush artist began four years ago when she joined the Village Artists. She credits village artist members, workshop instructors and artists such as Pam Dieckert, Dalhart Windberg and Larry Prellop with the inspiration to develop her talents. She

says that without their encouragement she would not have continued to paint. "By painting you realize the beauty around you and the confirmation of God's presence around us"

She has had her work exhibited at the Cultural Activities Center, the Ladybird Johnson Wildflower Center, the Wildflower Art Fair, Sorge's Restaurant, and the Salado Village Artist Art Show.



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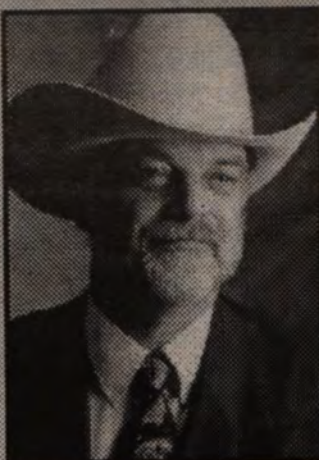
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Civic Center Foundation President Lloyd Parks is shown above (center) watching in anticipation of receiving a check from the Salado Lion's Club. Lion treasurer Jeff McKinney is shown preparing the donation of \$3000 that will be placed in the maintenance and operating funds at the Civic Center. Two thirds of the gift came from the recent Lion's Club golf tournament that is held annually to raise money to help keep the area around the bandstand just south of the building in top shape for both visitors and villagers use.

As a result that area has been designated Lion's Park in recognition of the support given each year by the Lions to both the civic center operation as well as the surrounding grounds.

Veteran Lion's club member and civic center supporter Vernon Holt was also on hand to observe the transfer of funds that will be a great help to the Foundation's Board of Directors who are charged with the care and operation of the popular gathering place that attracts group meetings, large and small, from around the area almost on a daily basis, according to President Parks.

PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER



The Salado Historical Society presented Charles Abbitt a plaque recognizing his years of work restoring and preserving the log cabins located behind the civic center on Van Bibber

PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER

New bridge to cross Leon River

U. S. Representative Chet Edwards (D- Waco) announced June 21 that a Bell County infrastructure improvement project fared well under a funding measure approved by the House Appropriations Committee on June 20.

The \$59 billion transportation appropriations bill for fiscal year 2002 includes \$1.5 million requested by Edwards to replace the Leon River Bridge over Lake Belton on SH36.

"One of the most important features of economic development is a good

transportation system," said Edwards, a member of the House Appropriations Committee.

SH36 is a crucial route connecting Fort Hood to I-35 and is designated as part of the Defense Highway Network, which is important for mobilizing and deploying military forces from U.S. bases to seaports, railheads and airports.

Texas Department of Transportation officials expect to award the contract by October 31 and construction is expected to extend for a minimum of two years.



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Telephone deregulation topic of legislation

Members of the United States congress are considering major legislation, supported by Southwestern Bell and the other Regional Bell Operating Companies that would deregulate many of their broadband services. This legislation, HR1542, was introduced by Rep. Billy Tauzin (R-LA) and Rep. John Dingell (D-MI). It would change existing law and would prevent the states and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) from regulating these broadband services in the future.

The current law, which was enacted in 1996, was designed to encourage the

Bell companies to allow other companies to provide local telephone services in their territory. A number of companies have entered these markets but competition has been slow to evolve with the Bell companies still controlling 97 percent of the local exchange market in the U.S.

The Texas Public Utility Commission (PUC), which has been very progressive in its effort to bring competition to Texas, would be excluded from regulation or oversight of services covered by HR 1542. The PUC, along with regulators from

other states, have voiced opposition to this legislation in its current form. Last week, the House Judiciary Committee gave the bill an unfavorable recommendation.

In a letter to U.S. Congressmen, Texas PUS Commissioner, Brett Perlman, said, I am also concerned that the bill in its current form will hinder rather than help the deployment of advanced services. I am not sure that regulations imposed by the FCC and the states have impeded the rapid delivery of high-speed internet access services to the public, thereby reducing

consumer choice and welfare."

Perlman added, "...the language may be construed to preempt state authority over voice-grade services, including the authority to ensure adequate service quality to Texas residents.

Supporters of the legislation contend HR1542 should spur deployment of broadband services to rural areas. Opponents point out the legislation has not specifics about how that will be accomplished and, in fact undo the provisions of current laws designed to bring about deployment of such services.

Aldermen

FROM PAGE 1A

Smith told aldermen that the narrow option would "kill" the businesses along the interstate by cutting off access to them.

Mayor Charlotte Douglass asked Smith if a large number of people pulled off the interstate when they saw his sign. "Yes," he said, adding that with any of the options, "you can't see us."

Comprehensive plan

The village received six proposals from firms to prepare a comprehensive plan for construction, planning and zoning in the Village of Salado.

The following firms submitted proposals to the Village of Salado: Central Texas Council of Governments Planning and Regional Services, of Belton; Dunking, Sefko & Associates, of Dallas; Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., of Dallas; PSI Planning Group, of Austin; and Wilbert Smith Associates, of Houston.

Alderman Vic Means told the board that requests

for proposals to prepare a comprehensive plan for the Village of Salado went out to 11 firms.

Means said his committee of Suzi Epps, Dr. Robert Merrill and Dr. Luther Brewer will review the proposals and bring finalists before the board at a later date.

Five of the firms attended a pre-proposal conference with the committee before the filing deadline of June 22.

"I know something about and have a good feeling about three of these firms," Means said.

Other business

Aldermen approved an ordinance governing construction within the rights-of-way in the village. The board also granted a franchise to Sprint telephone to operate a telephone transmission system within the village.

The Village expects to generate \$50,000 per year from the franchise fee from Sprint.

In other business, Ashe

reported that the village will sign an interlocal agreement with Bell County to resurface six roads within Salado next year: Park Rd., Hilltop Circle, Chapparral Dr., Blaylock Dr., Mill Creek Dr. and Mill Creek Ct.

Repairing potholes, according to Ashe, "will be more troublesome than resurfacing." The county will not repair potholes, so the village is in the process of finding a company with which it can reach an

agreement to repair potholes in the village. Ashe will report on this at a later meeting.

The village will close on property on Stagecoach Rd. that will serve as the village office, municipal court and police building. The village will pay \$107,000 for the property, which includes a 1,200 sq. ft. house. Aldermen will meet at the property on July 2 to assess renovation needs for the property.

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Courtney Nicole Burleson and Rodney L. Davis were married on June 23 at First Baptist Church in Salado, with Reverend Brian Dunks, pastor of First Baptist Church of Salado and Reverend Fabian Sena, uncle of the groom, officiating.

A reception followed at The Barn at Weatherstone. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edd Burleson of Salado. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Davis, of Brownwood, Texas.

Grand matrons of honor were Mrs. Suzi Gummelt and Mrs. T. K. Childress, sisters of the bride. The matron of honor was Mrs. Heather Peebles, niece of the bride. Miss Molly Nickols, friend of the bride, was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Kyla Davis, sister-in-law of the groom, Miss Amy Zamorsky, friend of the bride, and Miss Stefanie Childress, niece of the bride. Caitlynn Gummelt, niece of the bride, was the bridesmaid. The flower girl was Rayme Walters, cousin of the groom.



Mrs. Rodney L. Davis

The best man was Ryan Davis, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Matt Burton, friend of the groom, Matt Sena and Jon Sena, cousins of the groom and Scott Holzhauer, friend of the groom. The ring bearer was Stedson Childress, nephew of the bride, candle bearers were Corey Gummelt and Austin Childress, nephews of the bride. Mr. Craig Gummelt and Dr. Steve Childress, brothers-in-law of the bride, and Mr. Gary Peebles and Mr. Ryan Summers, nephews of the bride, were ushers.

Music was provided by Mrs. Judy Bruton, pianist, Mrs. Gretchen Williams, harpist and Miss Heather Stanley, trumpeter. Mrs. Stephanie Reeves and Ryan Summers were soloists.

Members of the house party were Erin Burdette,

P. J. Burton, Teresa Cooper and Heather Stanley.

The bride wore a three-piece, white Mori Lee gown by Madeline Gardner, featuring a heavily beaded corset bodice with a satin skirt and satin train. The back of the gown was finished with satin-covered buttons that extended to the end of the train. The bride completed her ensemble with a tulle and sequins veil, and white satin opera-length gloves.

The bride's colors, navy blue and yellow, were evident in the bridesmaid's gowns and the accessories the gentlemen wore with their black formal attire.

The ceremony was performed before a hearts

shaped arch covered with white wisteria and ivy. Candelabra, wrapped in ivy, added to the decorations. Bouquets of calla lilies, Gerber daisies, lilies and Stephanotis made up the floral arrangements.

The bride is a graduate of Howard Payne University in Brownwood and is a flight attendant for American Airlines, based at D/FW International Airport. The groom is a graduate of Howard Payne University and is employed by CES, an engineering firm in Plano.

Following their honeymoon in the Pocono Mountains of Pennsylvania, the couple will reside in Lewisville.

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Jesus replies, *You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You shall see greater things than that. I tell you the truth, you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.*

John: 1:49-50

Rev. Legge elected President of Recovery Ministries of Episcopalians

At the recent annual "Gathering" of the Recovery Ministries of the Episcopal Church in Seattle, Salado resident, Rev. Don Legge, Vicar of All Saints' in Cameron, was elected President of the national organization.

The church-wide group is a coalition of the Recovery Ministries of Episcopal Dioceses across the United States. Its mission is to those who, through addiction, have lost their health and freedom. Its ministry is to help them connect to spiritual resources to find lasting recovery.

Recovery Ministries publishes a number of materials about alcoholism and other addictive illnesses, including a guide for the observance of a Recovery Sunday that is adaptable for many denominations.

Rev'd Legge has served as the Chair of the Recovery Ministry of the Diocese of Texas for several years. That Ministry seeks to witness Christ's unfailing mercy by welcoming both unchurched

and church members of Alcoholics Anonymous and other 12 step programs into connect with a faith community.

Educational efforts are directed toward raising the awareness of clergy and laity about the diseases of alcoholism and addiction and the redemption and grace found in recovery.

The Ministry's annual "Soul food" retreat helps to strengthen recovering persons from all walks of life, church affiliated or not, in the work of their recovery. This year the retreat is Nov. 9-11 at Camp Allen, near Navasota.

As a clergyman with long experience in the recovery community, Fr. Legge is available to all in this area for information, referral or pastoral conversation about any problem that may be alcohol or drug connected.

He may be reached for information or consultation at All Saints' Episcopal Church at 254-947-5210 or 254-697-2167.

"Music in Salado" to be held at Salado United Methodist Church

Dr. Kim Neill Van Cura and Dr. John Van Cura are creating, designing and producing a festival of music dedicated to promoting culture and harmony within the Salado community, as well as the surrounding areas of Salado.

The performance of Music in Salado will be held Sunday 4 p.m. July 8 in the historic Salado United Methodist Church. This performance entitled the "Four Tenors...and a Few Friends" will include American spirituals and sacred music, operetta, opera, oratorio, art songs and musical theater. Plans are to have a musical con-

cert each month through Christmas.

Students from Baylor University and performers from around the community will be featured along with the Van Cura Family.

Dr. Kim Neill Van Cura, founder and artistic director of music in Salado believes in the quote of Frederick De Liuz: "music is the outburst of the soul." She and her husband are great believers in the beauty of music. They committed to this music endeavor. The community is invited to the performances. Admission is free.



Seth Joseph Proft and Annika J. Garcia

Mr. & Mrs. Roman and Rose Garcia of Salado announce the engagement of their daughter, Annika J. Garcia of Salado to Seth Joseph Proft of Marshfield, WI.

The groom elect's parents are Joseph and Glory Proft of Marshfield, WI.

Garcia is currently attending Tarleton State University in Killeen. He is currently employed with the U.S. Army.

The couple plans a double ring ceremony Dec. 29 at the Salado United Methodist Church.

New youth program developed at Salado United Methodist Church

Salado United Methodist has completed developing a program for 5th-6th grade youth called JAM (Jesus and Me).

Jeffrey Neigh, a pharmacist at Ft. Hood has been added to the church staff to implement and run the program. Jeff begins work JAM 6:30 p.m. July 11.

JAM will meet 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday in

the fellowship hall beginning July 11.

Programs will consist of music, fellowship, creative Bible study, games and food.

Children in the 5th -6th grade are invited to attend. Admission is free. If children are new to the community, this is a great program to meet new friends.

Monday Club meets July 2

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Q: Several months ago, our family car was stolen. We reported the theft, but the car was never recovered. We did not carry comprehensive insurance to cover the loss. Recently, a stranger called and offered to recover our car, which he claimed is now in Mexico, for a fee. I declined the offer because it seemed suspicious.

A: It is certainly suspicious, especially if the person who offered to "recover" your car had specific knowledge of its whereabouts but withheld that information until you paid him. The Texas Penal Code makes it a crime for a person to acquire property known to be stolen, and only restore it to the rightful owner upon the payment of a reward or other compensation.

You did the right thing by declining this offer. You should report it to the same police agency where you originally reported the car theft.

The Texas-Mexico border region ranks as one

of the top areas for auto theft in the country, leading to a rise in illegal recovery services that cheat car theft victims a second time. While insurance companies, and even some individuals, do use private investigators to locate missing vehicles, there has been an increase in the number of illegally operated auto recovery services along the border. Consumers often pay several hundred dollars in the hope of having their cars returned, but often the cars are in such bad shape when they are found that the recovery fees cost more than the car is worth.

Unless you have specifically requested help from a recovery service, be wary if a recovery company approaches you immediately after your car is stolen. These operators

generally solicit business anonymously by phone or approach desperate victims in parking lots and other public places. It is common for operators to demand payment up front and in cash before retrieving the vehicle, and they might even refuse to provide receipts or commit to anything in writing.

If someone unexpectedly offers to find your stolen vehicle for a fee, decline the offer. Write down any information that the person gives you, such as his or her name and the possible whereabouts of your car. Give this information to the police. NEVER try to investigate matters yourself. Remember, car thieves are criminals, and you might be placing yourself in danger if you attempt the recovery.

Q: What should we do to try to get our car back?

A: If your car was stolen while you were in Mexico, report the theft to Mexican authorities. You should also report it to your U.S. insurance company, since many Texas vehicles are covered if they are stolen within a few miles south of the U.S.-Mexico Border. Check with your agent before crossing to make sure you have this type of coverage. If you are traveling to the interior of Mexico, you should consider purchasing additional coverage, from a reputable agent, that provides short-

term insurance for those traveling further than the immediate Mexican border towns.

If the theft occurred on the Texas side of the border, report it to the police immediately. My office may be able to help, particularly if the car was taken into Mexico. The Attorney General's Auto Theft Prevention Task Force facilitates communication between Texas law enforcement and Mexican officials with regard to stolen vehicles.

In September 2000, my office helped the attorney general of the State of Chihuahua, the El Paso Police Department, and the Ciudad Juarez Police Department develop a program for the return of stolen vehicles found by law enforcement along the border. This recovery effort is offered to consumers on both sides of the border at no charge. In its first four months of operation, the program helped handle the return of almost 150 stolen vehicles. We are in the process of establishing similar reciprocal efforts between other Texas border cities and the Mexican states of Nuevo Leon, Tamaulipas and Coahuila.

For further information about the Attorney General's Auto Theft Prevention Task Force, contact Assistant Attorney General Virginia Hermosa at 1-800-252-8011 or by e-mail at virginia.hermosa@oag.state.tx.us.

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Economic Growth & Tax Relief Act

The late Senator Sam Irvin was reputed to have said that creating legislation was much like the making of sausage and the public should witness neither. Even the short name, created from the first letters of each word in the final bill, TEGATRRRA 2001, sounds more like a sequel to Jurassic Park than a public law. As I understand the real original intent, the plan was to eliminate the tax increases put in place in 1993 while doing some minor reform to the rest of the rates and to effectively eliminate the estate or "death" tax. The end result pushes us in that direction, but certainly does not reduce the complexity of an already absurdly confusing tax code.

It does do a number of good and creditable things such as significantly lowering the taxation on the "working poor," raising the



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deduction on the IRA to \$5,000 per person, increasing the deduction for qualified retirement plans like 403(b) and 401(k) programs to \$15,000 from the current \$10,000 limit, provide for "catch up" contributions for workers over 50 years of age, and actually eliminating the "death tax." All of that sounds very grand, except each of those provisions "phases in" over the next several years! Worse, the phase in is different for people over 50 than it is for those under 50. Of course that creates a third category, those who turn 50 during the next 10 years! Rather than saying the IRA maximum contribution is \$2,000 per person per year we will have to say the maximum contribution depends on how old

you are, whether you turn 50 or 70 during the next 10 years and whether you are talking about this tax year or last.

One of the most fascinating and odd compromises was on the elimination of the death tax. The effective exemption for an individual increases to \$1 million for deaths in 2002 and then jumps to \$1.5 million in 2005. It rises to \$2 million in 2006, \$3.5 million in 2008, and is repealed all together in 2010. Unfortunately the entire code reverts to the current law in 2011 unless a future Congress and President renew the bill! Meanwhile, the top death tax rate drops gradually from 55 percent to the decedent's income tax rate. Amazingly though, the law did not change the annual gift allowance!

Of some concern to many in this area, the "step-up" in tax basis at death was largely retained. From spouse to spouse, up to \$4.3 million in property may be "stepped-up," while the step-up to others is allowed up to \$1.3 million. By combining these allowances, an estate belonging to a couple could step-up as much as \$5.6 million. Given the multitude of other complexities in actually implementing this law, I think a good name for our recent gift from our Congress should be "The Advisors and Accountants Full Employment Act of 2001." After all, TAAFEA2001 (pronounced "taa-fee-ought-one") sounds a lot more like the end result than "tega-terra-two-thousand-one" don't you think?

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Edwards backs \$5.5 billion supplemental bill

U.S. Representative Chet Edwards (D-Waco) June 20 supported a supplemental appropriations bill which included President Bush's request for \$5.5 billion to meet the military's emergency funding needs. The \$6.5 billion bill includes funding for military and other domestic needs.

Earlier this year, Edwards and five other U.S. House members introduced a \$6.7 billion defense supplemental appropriations bill to address many of the issues addressed by the House passed supplemental.

"This funding is needed now to meet critical

funding shortfalls in the defense budget," Edwards said. "I do not want the military fighting funding shortfalls when it should be concentrating on protecting our nation. I salute the President's initiative to ensure that our troops have adequate funding."

The bill includes \$2.2 billion to address readiness, training and other operations requirements. The military is facing shortfalls in training and readiness due to the increased costs of utilities and longer deployments.

The measure also provides a \$1.7 billion for military and retiree health care. Skyrocketing health

care and prescription drug costs have created critical shortfalls in Department of Defense (DOD) health care programs. This funding will allow the DOD to pay its doctors' bills.

"The military health care increases will improve access to quality care for service members, their dependents, and the retired military community," Edwards said.

This supplement includes \$515 million to cover higher personnel costs and to provide for military pay increases supported by both the President and Edwards. The total includes \$116 million to cover a pay increase for

mid and senior level sergeants and \$210 million for the basic allowance for housing.

The bill provides \$589 million for cost of living adjustment for disability compensation and pension benefits for veterans. The measure also includes \$347 million to cover increased Montgomery GI Bill educational benefits.

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When most people think of this illness, they visualize broken bones and hunched-back elderly people. But doctors define it as a simple loss of bone mass. For some reason, osteoporosis sufferers lose more bone cells than their bodies create, causing the bones to become brittle. Osteoporosis is a slow process that starts as early as age 40 and gets progressively worse.

Whether you're 20 years old or 70, now is the time to take preventative

measures against osteoporosis.

Along with including an adequate amount of calcium in your diet, a good weight-bearing exercise program is crucial for healthy bones. Exercises such as walking or running exert pressure on the bones, stimulating calcium absorption, which in turn produces more bone mass. For those people who find running or walking unsuitable, studies show that

yoga can produce many of the same benefits, if not more.

Yoga can stimulate the bones to retain calcium through weight-bearing poses that affect the spine, legs, arms, shoulders, ankles and feet. Yoga can also improve your posture, strengthen muscles, increase flexibility and create balance and coordination. And whereas running and walking are specific to your legs, yoga

can also benefit your upper body.

If you think you might be at high risk for osteoporosis, check with your health practitioner before starting any exercise. There is a fine line. If you have already developed the ailment and you do too much or the wrong kind of exercise, you run the risk of breaking bones.

But without the exercise, you'll lose muscle and calcium you need to protect your bones. If you find yourself looking for another type of exercise, try yoga.

Kelly Griffin, B.S., C.S.C.S., is a personal trainer and the owner of Power Break Fitness.

Take steps to avoid heat illness

Hot and getting hotter. That's often the weather forecast day after day in Texas in the summer. And while sunny days are the norm, intense heat can pose serious health problems even for those who are used to the scorchers.

Preliminary data from the bureau of vital statistics at the Texas Department of Health (TDH) show 58 deaths from heat-related causes last year. Most often, the elderly, the very young, people with other illnesses or those without access to air conditioning are the victims of intense, prolonged heat.

The body normally cools itself by sweating, but the combination of high temperatures and high humidity can cause this natural cooling system to work overtime. Dehydration and heat illness can result if a person does not replace fluids and salt lost during perspiration. Also, when humidity is high, sweat does not evaporate efficiently, preventing the body from releasing heat quickly. This heating of the body to dangerous levels may result in a heat illness.

Symptoms of heat

illness include heavy sweating, muscle cramps, weakness, dizziness, nausea, weak but rapid pulse and headaches. People with these symptoms should find shade, drink water and make sure there is good ventilation.

If fluids are not replaced soon, heat stroke can follow causing extremely high body temperature, red and dry skin, rapid pulse, confusion, brain damage, loss of consciousness and eventually death. For severe symptoms, get the victim into shade, call for emergency medical services and start cooling the person immediately with cool water or by fanning.

Staying in an air-conditioned area, either at home or in a public place such as a mall, library or recreation center, is the most efficient way to combat heat. If air-conditioning is not available, pull the shades over the windows and use cross-ventilation and fans to cool rooms. In times of high temperatures and high humidity, however, turn off the fans or aim them through a window to blow the hot air

out.

A cool shower or bath also is an effective way to cool off. Limit the use of stoves and ovens to keep home temperatures lower.

Children especially can quickly become dehydrated. They need to drink fluids frequently, especially water, and wear light, loose clothes. Avoid drinks that are heavily sweetened or contain caffeine. Check on children often, especially if they are playing outside in high temperatures.

Other heat precautions include these:

- * Never leave anyone in a closed, parked vehicle during the hot weather.
- * Drink plenty of fluids, but avoid alcohol, caffeine or a lot of sugar. Start drinking fluids before going out into the heat.
- * Plan strenuous outdoor activity for early morning or in the evening when the temperature is lower.
- * Take frequent breaks when working outside.
- * Wear sunblock, hats and light, loose fitting clothes.
- * Stay indoors and in air conditioning as much as

possible.

* Eat more frequently, but be sure meals are well balanced and light.

* Avoid dressing infants in heavy clothing or wrapping them in warm blankets.

* Check frequently on people who are elderly, ill or may need help.

* Check with a doctor about the effect of sun and heat when taking prescriptions drugs, especially diuretics or antihistamines.

* At first signs of heat illness - dizziness, nausea, headaches, muscle cramps - move to a cooler place, rest a few minutes, then slowly drink a cool beverage. Seek medical attention immediately if conditions do not improve.

* Pay attention to pets. Be sure they have plenty of water, and do not leave them closed up in parked cars or hot buildings.

The best defense against heat-related illness is prevention. Staying cool, drinking plenty of fluids, wearing cool clothing and monitoring outdoor activities all are key to staying healthy in hot weather.

Are you at risk of lead poisoning

Corral any group of 25 preschoolers and at least one child probably will have a level of lead in his or her body high enough to cause concern. That's a general idea about the problem in this state.

But the Texas Department of Health (TDH) wants to have a more comprehensive picture of the extent of lead poisoning in children, for prevention and treatment purposes. So in January TDH began asking all health care pro-

viders to give a blood lead test to every child at 12 months and 24 months of age and report all results to TDH.

"In 1998, about six percent of Texas children under the age of 15 had a blood lead test, with about four percent of those tested showing elevated blood lead levels," said Teresa Willis, administrator of the Texas Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program at TDH. "That means as many as 191,000

children in the state may have elevated blood lead levels."

Poisoning occurs when there is too much lead in the blood. Lead is especially bad for children six and younger because it is absorbed so easily by their small bodies. Youngsters may eat or breathe in lead from such things as paint, dust, drinking water, soil, toys, or eating and drinking utensils. Many people may not realize that lead is around them because they

cannot see it, taste it or smell it.

"We want health care providers and parents to understand how important we think this screening is for children," Willis said. "Even small amounts of lead can harm a child's brain, kidneys and stomach. Lead poisoning can slow a child's development, leading to learning disabilities, hyperactivity and impaired hearing."

If caught early, how-
 SEE POISONING, PAGE 11A

Low salt diet won't promote goiter

Dear Dr. Donohue:

I am a senior, senior citizen. Way back when, I remember many people who had goiters. In those days, the explanation was that a lack of iodine was responsible.

I don't see any goiters these days. I am on a low-salt diet. Without the iodine in salt, could I develop a goiter?

ANSWER: A goiter is an enlargement of the thyroid gland. The thyroid gland is a U-shaped structure located in the neck. The crossbar of the U extends from right to left in the low neck. The two arms of the U ascend upward on the right and left sides of the neck.

When there was a widespread iodine deficiency, goiters were more prominent than they are today. Iodine is essential for production of thyroid hor-

To Your Good Health

by Paul G. Donohue, M.D.



Without an iodine supply, the gland tries to up hormone production by enlarging, forming a goiter. In the 1920s, iodine was added to salt. Everyone uses salt, so it was chosen as the vehicle for increasing iodine supply.

A low-salt diet provides more than enough iodine to prevent goiters. Rest your mind. You are not going to have a goiter.

Incidentally, goiters are still around. Iodine deficiency is not their only cause.

Thyroid gland problems beset many. The thyroid report helps clar-

ify thyroid illnesses and their treatment. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue — No. 32W, Box 5536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a self-addressed, stamped (55 cents), No. 10 envelope and \$3. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

Dear Dr. Donohue:

What does a "primary care" physician mean? I have enrolled in a new health plan, and it says that I must choose a primary care physician and have that physician's approval before seeing a specialist.

ANSWER: Primary care doctors are doctors who have a go at all the body's aches, pains and illnesses. Primary care doctors seek the help of a specialist when they deem that the situation calls for one.

Family doctors, formerly called general practitioners, internal medicine doctors and many gynecologists, consider themselves primary care doctors. For children, pediatricians can also take on the mantle of a primary care doctor.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

Poisoning

ever, these harmful effects can be limited by reducing a child's exposure to lead or by medical treatment.

A 1996 state law mandated the reporting of blood lead test results to the TDH Child Lead Registry, but even that reporting does not provide enough data to spot which children are at risk for lead poisoning or where they live.

TDH will give quarterly feedback to health care providers during the two year period. "At the end of that time, we will have put together a summary of the data and

recommend final lead screening guidelines," Willis said.

It sometimes is difficult to spot children affected by lead poisoning. "A child may have lead poisoning and not feel sick," Willis said. "Or a child may have general symptoms such as stomach aches, headaches, a poor appetite, trouble sleeping or be cranky, tired or restless."

Among the sources of lead are peeling or chipping paint in homes built before 1978, dust from sanding or removing old paint and wallpaper and

soil near a major highway that may be contaminated from years of leaded fuels. Other sources are industries that use lead, old water pipes made of lead or newer fixtures with lead solder, food grown in lead-contaminated soil, food stored in some glazed pottery or in open cans or leaded glass, bullets and fishing sinkers, hobbies that use lead such as stained glass and some folk remedies.

To protect children from exposure:

* Have children wash their hands and face after playing outside and before

FROM PAGE 10A eating or sleeping.

* Clean bottle and pacifier nipples each time they fall on the ground.

* Wash infant and toddler toys often. Be cautious. Toys, especially those made in another country, may use lead-based paints or dyes.

* Check your home for chipping and peeling paint and dust.

* Place duct tape over loose paint or plaster for temporary covering.

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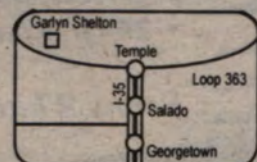
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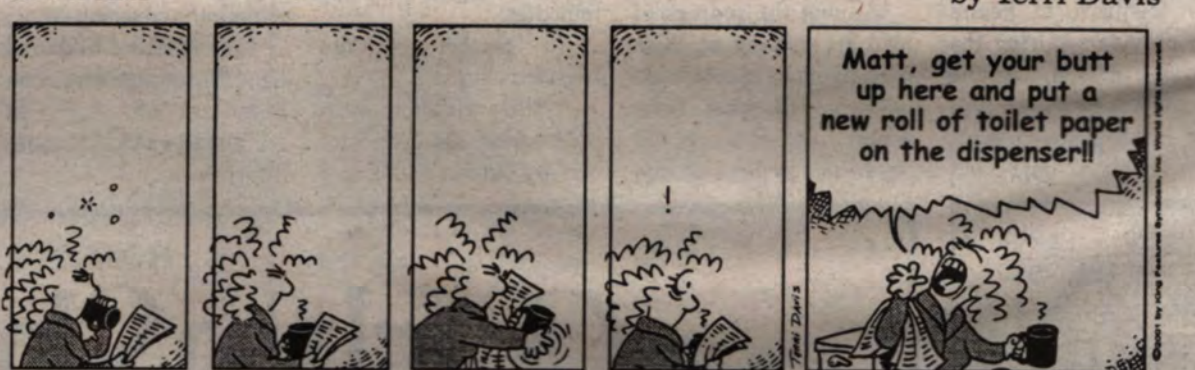
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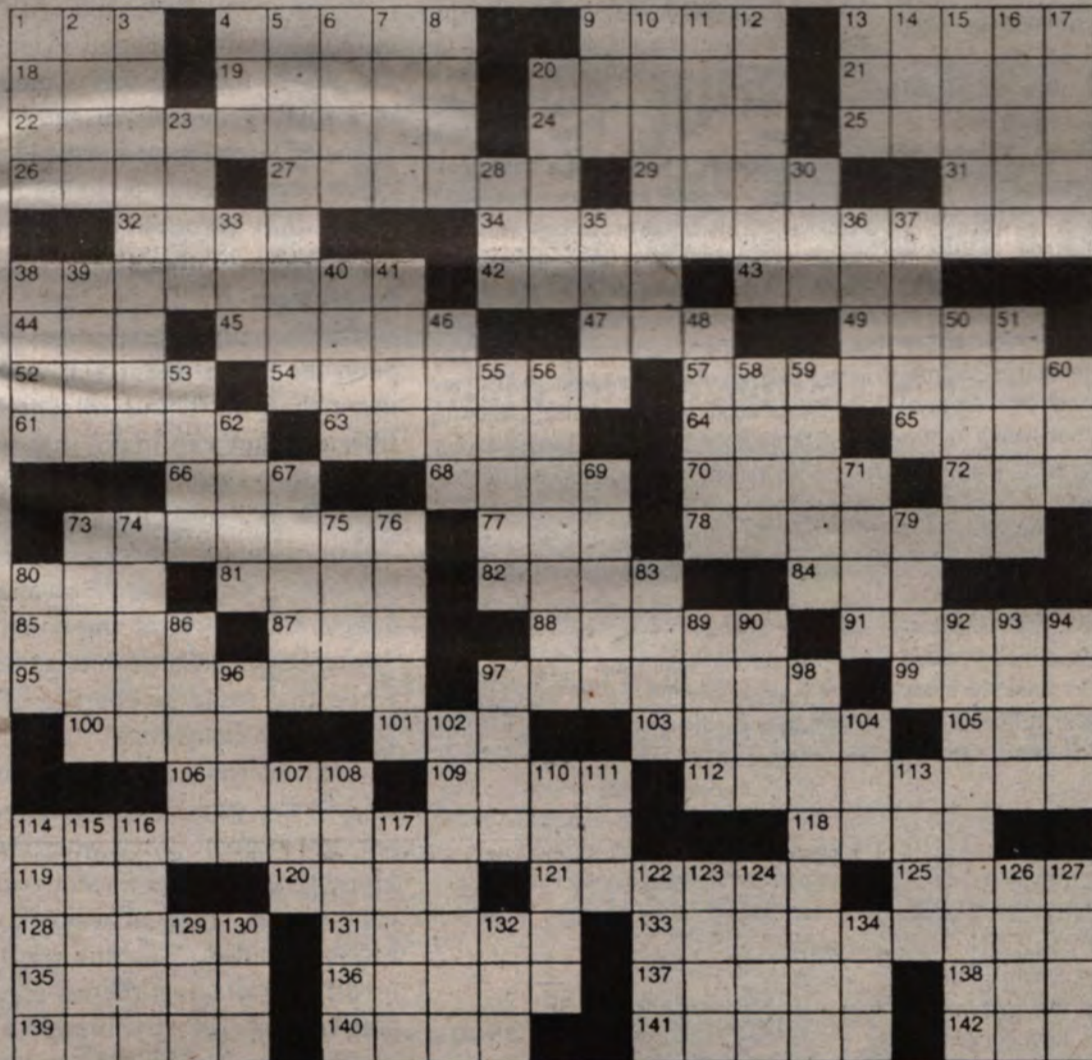
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- 1 Big —
 - 4 "Stop, sailor!"
 - 9 James of "Misery"
 - 13 Swash-buckling novelist
 - 18 Grand — Opry
 - 19 Actress Berger
 - 20 Mourful music
 - 21 "F Troop" corporal
 - 22 Start of a remark by Milton Berle
 - 24 Mid-size band
 - 25 "Andrea —"
 - 26 Costa —
 - 27 "Family Feud" host
 - 29 Division word
 - 31 Aachen article
 - 32 Basilica feature
 - 34 Part 2 of remark
 - 38 TV's "General —"
 - 42 Like some sheep
 - 43 Part of HOMES
 - 44 Inclined
 - 45 Senator Thurmond
 - 47 "Waking — Devine" ('98 film)
 - 49 Wee serving
 - 52 Composer Schifrin
 - 54 Circus performer
 - 57 Put on a pedestal
 - 61 Soft tissue
 - 63 Tangle
 - 64 Damage
 - 65 Actress Ward
 - 66 Baseball's Boudreau
 - 68 Enchilada alternative
 - 70 "Trinity" author
 - 72 Neighbor of Wyo.
 - 73 Obeys the dentist
 - 77 Part 3 of remark
 - 78 '80s Joe Penny series
 - 80 Crank's comment
 - 81 Skater Lipinski
 - 82 Noun suffix
 - 84 Sundown, to Shelley
 - 85 Actor Arkin
 - 87 See
 - 106 Across
 - 88 "Love Train" group
 - 91 Thick of things
 - 95 Denizen
 - 97 Geological phenomenon
 - 99 The Chipmunks, e.g.
 - 100 Comic Carvey
 - 101 Galena, for one
 - 103 — -ski party
 - 105 Priest's robe
 - 106 With 87 Across, type of liqueur
 - 109 Merit
 - 112 — blanket
 - 114 Part 4 of remark
 - 118 Well-informed
 - 119 "So that's your game!"
 - 120 Nonflowering plant
 - 121 "The Addams Family" uncle
 - 125 Does Little work
 - 128 Croc's kin
 - 131 Chateau valley
 - 133 End of remark
 - 135 Wear away
 - 136 Computer key
 - 137 "The Lady —" ('79 film)
 - 138 Child welfare org.
 - 139 Rock's Meisner
 - 140 Stocking stuffers?
 - 141 Dispositions
 - 142 "The Bells" monogram
- DOWN**
- 1 Physicist Niels
 - 2 "The Time Machine" people
 - 3 English port
 - 4 Simile center
 - 5 Feud
 - 6 Novelist Seton
 - 7 Pack
 - 8 Homeric characters
 - 9 Pres. Clinton, e.g.
 - 10 Performer
 - 11 Actor's actor?
 - 12 Irritate
 - 13 Rigoletto, to Gilda
 - 14 Actor Tognazzi
 - 15 — Gras
 - 16 Sharon of Israel
 - 17 Trap
 - 20 "Tiny Bubbles" singer
 - 23 Comics' "Andy —"
 - 28 He gives a hoot
 - 30 — the fields we go ...
 - 33 Slangy sib
 - 35 Ain't right?
 - 36 Extensive
 - 37 Toast start
 - 38 Grapefruit serving
 - 39 October birthstone
 - 40 Curved lines
 - 41 Forsaken
 - 46 Ditch under a draw-bridge
 - 48 Object
 - 50 Change for the better
 - 51 Brawl
 - 53 Sonja Henie's birthplace
 - 55 Acts like an ass?
 - 56 Spirits
 - 58 Amritsar attire
 - 59 Nonsense
 - 60 Smidgen
 - 62 Throw a party
 - 67 Custom
 - 69 Message board?
 - 71 Goblet part
 - 73 Lost luster
 - 74 — apso
 - 75 Gray or Moran
 - 76 — Domingo
 - 79 "What's — for me?"
 - 80 Candy quantity
 - 83 Spotted rodent
 - 86 Belarusian city
 - 89 Puppy protests
 - 90 Withered
 - 92 Downspout
 - 93 Bank deposit?
 - 94 "Twelfth Night" role
 - 96 Spanish surrealist
 - 97 Equipment
 - 98 Happened again
 - 102 Heal a rift
 - 104 Eat in the evening
 - 107 Right — the bat
 - 108 A hole near the sole
 - 110 Allude (to)
 - 111 Dundee denial
 - 113 Loud laugh
 - 114 Bet
 - 115 "Pal Joey" author
 - 116 Boca —, FL
 - 117 Maine town
 - 122 Willowy
 - 123 Baseball's Martinez
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Writer thinks incorporation opened can of worms

Dear Editor:

Is it just me, or are there others in Salado that are beginning to think we may have opened a big can of worms with the incorporation of Salado?

As I recall at the meetings held to promote incorporation, we were told that, among other things, it was almost a certainty that all of the funding for the operation of an incorporated Salado could come from a city sales tax. We were giving examples of how communities similar in size to Salado, were able to conduct the business of these communities on sales tax revenue. Some of the communities that were given as examples did not have the sales tax base Salado would have, so certainly we would be able to finance Salado's operation with just sales tax revenue. But, in the unlikely the event sales tax did not provide enough money, a franchise tax could be imposed on the suppliers of our electric service and telephone service. In addition it was said by those promoting the incorporation of Salado, that we could get our police service/protection by contract with the Bell County Sheriffs Department and that Salado would be able to have our streets maintained through a contract with Bell County.

How quickly things can change. No sales tax money has been collected to date, but TXU has started paying a utility franchise tax fee of \$90,000 per year on the electric service they provide and Sprint has started paying a franchise fee of \$40,000 per year for the telephone service they provide. So, before it is even known how much money will be available from sales tax revenue, the franchise tax is in place.

It seems that the cost of getting police protection from the Bell County Sheriff's Dept. is much higher than anticipated so our Mayor and Alderman have approved setting up a Salado Police Department.

Your Voice

Letters to the Editor

A budget, in excess of \$100,000 per year, has been established to run this department and the Mayor has been authorized to purchase a 1,200 square foot house to house the Police Department. This house will require extensive renovation to be suitable for use by the Police Department. The price paid for this house is almost \$90 per square foot and that is before the renovation costs are included. I also hear that it will now be cheaper for Salado to have its own street maintenance department than to contract with Bell County for this service. I have not seen a figure for this, but I am sure it will also be an eye opener.

I have to wonder if no one got estimates on the costs of the services to be provided by these entities? Or, did Bell County and the Sheriff's Department wait until Salado was incorporated and then raise the rates to make the costs prohibitive? I think that is unlikely.

What brought all this home to me was this month's electric bill. The kwh rate increased about 17 percent. I knew TXU was going to have a rate increase, but no one had said it would be that large. Then I find out about the franchise fee TXU is paying Salado, and knowing TXU is not a charitable organization, I think I found out what caused some of that increase. I am sure Sprint will also have a surprise for us pretty soon.

Does anyone have any idea of how you go about putting worms back into the can?

Sincerely,
Bob Smith
Salado, TX 76571

Senate remains center of intrigue as unhappy moderates challenge extremism

Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



The Senate of these United States has often been called the great debating society and before the arrival of women, it was referred to as a "gentleman's club". This normally staid and slower moving of the two houses of Congress however, cannot seem to escape the political hurricane that began on May 24, when Jim Jeffords of Vermont left his Republican brethren to become an Independent. The power abruptly shifted from right to left with Democrat Tom Daschle scooping up the majority leadership from a smiling but disheartened Trent Lott.

Since then the spotlight of intrigue has remained on the 100 souls that make up the upper house, with rumors abounding that moderates are on the move in both parties.

This unease has Washington's political pundits (an oxymoron if there ever was one) on the prowl, trying to rustle up chicken bones, bat wings, newt eyes and other unwholesome ingredients needed for the witch's brew that once-a-millennium produces accurate soothsayings.

Jeffrey Hart, a conservative writer who appears on the op-ed page of this newspaper, predicted that Senator Zell Miller (D-Georgia) will run as a Republican in a special election this November. Since folks in that peachy State are mostly conservatives - it is believed that Miller will re-jumble the Senate, forcing power chairs to be unbuckled and moved back across the aisle.

Robert Novak, a foremost GOP apologist, took up the Zell Miller subject and told his readers the exact opposite of Hart's divination. Novak claims that the "maverick" Democrat will not switch parties but remain a thorn in the side of Daschle and his team of movers and shakers.

One thing for sure - Senator Miller is not a happy camper nor is he well liked by Daschle and company.

Other lawmakers who are in a transitional frame of mind, include two moderate Republican Senators from Maine - Olympia Snow and Susan Collins plus Bush's least favorite member of Congress, Arizona's John McCain.

Based on these philosophical flailings that are on the increase, it would appear that the "Day of The Moderates" may be dawning. And most Americans would say "about time," following years of unproductive rantings, misdirection and/or inaction by extremists and zealotites in both parties.

Also to be noted is the drop in Christian Coalition membership (and money) as another hopeful coffin nail in the decline and fall of pious fanaticism that has "bugged" both Republicans and Democrats in recent years.

We would respectfully call all these happenings to Bush II's attention - or have Uncle Dick explain it to him!

If both GOPers and Demos are forced to pay attention to the Independents-Moderates-Centrists in their congregations, then we just might get some real-people business accomplished in our complicated, albeit effective, system of government.

HUPP HAPPY TO BE ONE OF "TEN WORST"

It would appear that every two years Salado's representative in either the Texas House of Representatives or Senate receives negative accolades following the end of a legislative session.

Two years ago, when the 76th trial-by-error ended, Senator Troy Fraser (R-Marble Falls) was tweaked as one of the "Ten Worst Lawmakers" by the Texas Monthly magazine. Troy took it hard and fired back with anger, rather than using some humor to blunt TM's charge that the senator was a "bill rustler" and worse - for he had not only stolen bills but also ideas from fellow GOPers!

Now that the 77th legislative session is finally over, we find the popular, albeit liberal, periodical has named our very own Representative Suzanna Hupp (R-Lampasas) as one of the "Ten Worst" among the 181 lawmakers in the house and senate.

Reasons behind Hupp's nomination to the list of lawmakers singled out for such "honors",

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according to the authors of the listings, included a bill she wrote that would have allowed principals and superintendents in small counties to carry guns to school; a plan to seal all records of those licensed to carry concealed weapons, plus a proposal that could have negated the open meetings and open records laws.

Hupp seemed pleased with the attention and responded Friday to the charge that she was a member of a small group of "dissident and alienated" Republicans in the House: "I am very proud to be in the fringe group that staunchly adheres to the founding father's principals of government".

Traditionally, conservatives poo-poo the annual listings as nothing more than malicious mischief by liberals (they can make that word sound like a nasty epithet without so much as a mitigating smile).

There is, of course, a definite left-lean in this year's "Best-Worst" article since 70% of the so called "worst" lawmakers were Republicans while that same percentage of the "best" were Democrats!

Even our well coiffured Governor Rick Perry came in for a share of the not-so-great glory when Texas Monthly gave, what Austin American veteran political writer Dave McNeely called, "The unkindest cut of all", by placing the un-elected Guv in a category by himself - that of "Furniture". A grouping usually reserved for legislative nobodies who simply occupy space.

TM writers Paul Burka and Pat Kilday Hart said this about Perry's designation: "Having ascended to the governorship by filling a vacancy, he opted to lie low and play safe, an aspiration that proved to be within his reach".

For Hupp this year, Fraser two years ago and Perry in the future - we would point them, for succor, in the direction of many old timey politicians whose exploits were noted daily in the press - and who opined, almost daily: "Just so long as they spell my name right - that's what matters!"

That's -30-

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Education at top of national agenda

Capitol Comment



Kay Bailey Hutchison
U.S. Senator



The Senate and the House of Representatives have made historic progress toward an education reform plan that represents the most significant changes in federal education policy in more than 35 years.

Reflecting President Bush's education priorities, the legislation focuses on three basic principles:

- * Requiring states to test students and measure their progress in grades three through eight;

- * Rewarding states that improve children's education;

- * Reducing federal red tape and giving states and local school districts unprecedented flexibility in how they decide to use their federal education funds.

To qualify for certain federal education funding, states will have to demonstrate that student performance is improving for children in all economic categories. They will have to provide parents with more information about their schools and with more alternatives when their kids are trapped in failing schools, such as the ability to transfer to another public school. Under achieving schools are to get help under the plan, but they will face serious consequences for persistent failure.

This is a landmark bill because, for the first time, both parties in Congress have agreed that real reform requires that parents must have a say-so and more control over their children's education. Par-

PUBLIC SCHOOLS SHOULD BE ABLE TO TAILOR THEIR PROGRAMS TO WHAT BEST FITS THE NEEDS OF STUDENTS IN THEIR PARTICULAR AREA.

ents -- and the public -- will have access to detailed school-by-school "report cards" on the performance of their schools.

That provision of the legislation follows the outline of my "Parents' Right-to-Know Act," providing parents with accurate records of school performance. States will make the information available to parents and the public on the Internet and through other means that ensure broad distribution.

I also have included an amendment to the education reform bill that offers even more options to public schools - options that parents of children in private schools have long enjoyed. This amendment would remove the obstacles preventing public schools from being able to offer single-sex classrooms and single-sex schools to parents and students who choose them.

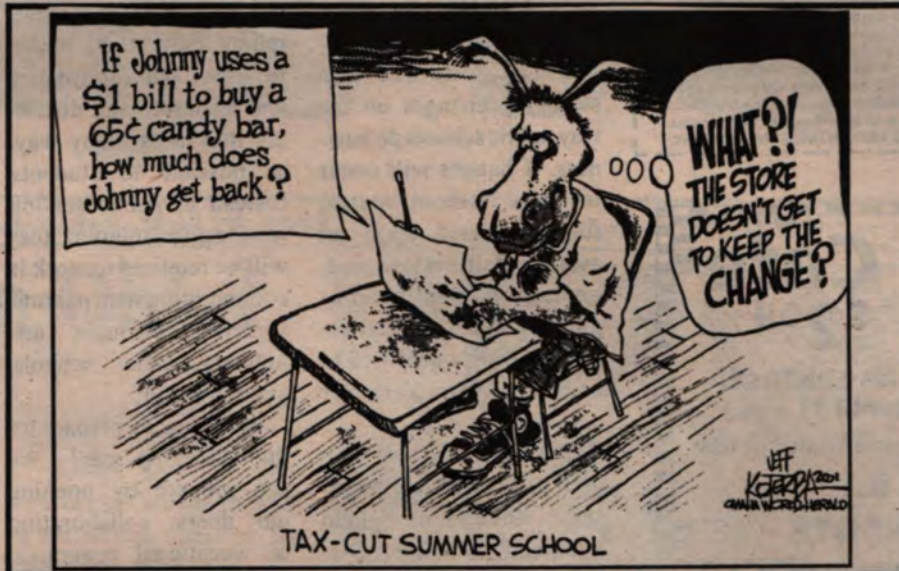
Public schools should be able to tailor their programs to what best fits the needs of students in their particular area.

Most of the time, co-education classes are going to be the right answer for children's educational needs. But in some cir-

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FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



It's now chic to oppose grade level testing in affluent high schools

Commentary

by Jeffrey Hart



To oppose grade-level testing in affluent high schools has become the latest version of radical chic, at least in Scarsdale, a suburb of New York City. The charm of political correctness lies in its capacity to make people feel virtuous with little or no effort, merely by holding correct opinions and striking correct poses. Political correctness thus is absolutely cost-free.

The opportunity for political correctness came to Scarsdale in connection with New York state-mandated testing in the fourth and eighth grades, the latter being the most important for college admissions. This year in Scarsdale only 95 eighth-graders took the test; 185 boycotted. Scarsdale mothers rode chartered buses to the state capital in Albany to protest the outrage of testing.

A Ms. Fran Antell was quoted in the press as saying: "Other communities look to us. People call this an elite town, but that

puts us in a position of power. I, for one, have a social conscience — part of what we're trying to do is help other communities."

Beautiful. It turns out that opposing the New York state tests endows you with a "social conscience." Those who see merit in the tests evidently lack a social conscience. Ms. Antell stands alone as the possessor of social virtue. Like Martin Luther, who declared to the town council of the city of Worms, "Here I stand, I can do no other." Delicious.

Other Scarsdale parents were quoted in the press as saying that they do not object to testing as such, but to the idea that all children can be assessed by the same tests. I recently

heard a version of this idea in a debate about affirmative action at Dartmouth. The professor defending affirmative action argued that students applying for admission have "different excellences." Certainly that is true. An applicant might be excellent on the piano. Another one might be an excellent artist, still another a fine football player. All such accomplishments are indeed taken into account by an admissions committee.

But this does not negate the fact that you can test for ability and achievement in academic subjects. Geometry, algebra and calculus can certainly be tested. So can vocabulary and reading comprehension, and so forth. And since colleges and universities are centrally academic institutions, it is academic testing that is more important than musical or athletic ability.

In practice, anti-testing is a poisonous idea for individuals and groups who do not do as well as they would like on standardized tests. A student's vocabulary can be improved. His or her performance in math can be improved. The "protest" model is a loser's game. The "competitive" model is the way of hope.

One of the major problems for black Americans is that their most visible leaders and spokesmen are all urging the protest model: Jesse Jackson, Al Sharpton, Maxine Waters, Julian Bond and Louis Farrakhan. That way lies the abyss.

"Oil Man" in green clothing



Jim Hightower

Did you see that picture of George W. Bush when he went to Minnesota to tout his new energy plan? They posed him in front of a pile of wood chips. Here's a guy who's known to be dumber than a wood chip, and his handlers put him in front of a whole pile of them! What were they thinking?

Well, one thing they were thinking is that maybe they could fool We the People about what's in George's energy plan, which was written for him by Dick Cheney and his oil-industry pals. Cheney had been doing a lot of mouthing off about how his energy plan was gonna be about crude, coal, gas, and nukes -- the stuff of Real Men, not that sissified conservation stuff or those gentrified alternative fuels.

We're gonna plunder the tundra, he bellowed on national television, so get out of my way or I'll run over you with my SUV! This did not go over well with the viewing public. Even Republicans are not that keen on fossil-fuel dependency, oil-spills, acid rain, or having a nuke plant near their home.

The poll numbers were tanking, so the White House political operatives stashed Cheney up in the attic for awhile, and put the much more congenial George on the road to sell the plan. Instead of posing him in front of a nuclear cooling tower or an oil rig, however, they sought to soften the image with a series of on-the-road photo ops, picturing George at the wood-fueled power plant in Minnesota and at other alternative-fuel sites, while having him mouth the words "conservation," "alternatives," and "balanced energy policy" over and over again.

This gimmick worked, at least as far as the media is concerned. The big newspaper and television networks dutifully parroted the White House press releases with headlines like "Bush Balances Drilling With Conservation." But don't read Bush's lips, read his budget! There, the truth is told -- budgets for alternative fuels and conservation programs are slashed, while nukes and fossil fuels get billions more.

Crystal ball of public education

I was working on long-range planning the other day and asked myself, "What will public education be like in 20 years?" "What can we do now to prepare for our role in 20 years?"

In the 1920's and 30's, reading, writing and arithmetic were stressed. As the 1950's approached and Sputnik was launched into space, science and social studies were added to the curriculum. The 1970's and 80's focused on human services: public education reflected this trend by requiring P.E., health, drug, AIDS, and sex education. Special education expanded services, at-risk children were identified,

Supt's Corner

Dr. Robin Battershell

dyslexia programs were introduced, and the term "504" was used to describe children who needed additional educational assistance. The late 80's and 90's heralded in the technology revolution with public education incorporating technology into every aspect of the curriculum.

The next 20 years will usher in programs and schools focusing on global communications and economies. The term "school" will no longer conjure up an image of a little red school house. The term

"school" will connote a place of learning, with the place of learning varying widely, from homes to schools located within companies. I foresee the expansion of charter schools and magnet schools specializing in one or two areas such as fine arts, expanded parochial schools, and enhanced home schooling. Degrees will be conferred on-line.

The role of public schools will be that of facilitator and resource. Public schools will be the conduit of these resources,

not the sole place to obtain an education. There will be fewer school districts, but more "schools", including those places discussed above. Existing school districts will consolidate, thereby decreasing administrative expenses and expanding student services.

Graduation plans will be individualized to meet the individual student's skills, interests, and vocational goals, with the Internet providing an array of programs and curriculum. Courses taught on-line will apply toward high school graduation. Students will become more self-taught, with teachers becoming

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Education

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facilitators for the acquisition of knowledge. Course selection will be virtually unlimited, since there can be a selection of courses from around the world.

These shifts will have sweeping changes on the way public schools do business. Changes will occur in "local" school boards, funding based upon an average daily attendance, graduation plan requirements, graduation ceremonies, and who qualifies to compete in extracurricular activities.

Districts will have to give up individual ownership. Instead of Salado Independent School District, it may become Salado

Dependent School District. Of course I am being facetious, but my point is that the productivity of public schools will be largely reliant upon their ability to ferret out information and resources and distribute this in as many ways as possible to students. Instead of public schools working in isolation, they will be required to work in collaboration with parents, students, business and industry, other schools, and the world.

How can we prepare for this changing role? We can prepare by opening our doors, collaborating on vocational programs,

cooping on special programs such as the Bell County Cooperative and Communities in Schools, seeking and using in-kind resources such as community speakers and historians, maximizing our current technology by providing courses through the Internet and distance learning, and collaborating with other school districts on schedules and courses. A global economy will require a global educational system and can create truly a community of learners.

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circumstances we find that students do better in a single-sex atmosphere. We want parents who might not be able to afford private school or might not have the option of parochial school to be able to go to their school board and request, perhaps, a single-sex eighth-grade math class for boys, or a single-sex chemistry lab for girls. Or some districts might want to establish single-sex schools, some of which have had great success in improving the test scores of previously failing students of both sexes.

In addition, the bill includes my legislation providing federal incentives for mid-career or retired professionals to enter classrooms and teach where they can make a real difference.

Meaningful education reform is finally at the forefront of the congressional agenda. Congress has worked with the White House to produce constructive legislation that enjoys bipartisan support. As a result, we will have more accountability in our schools, increased flexibility and strengthened local control. Schools will measure their progress in terms of demonstrably improved results -- rather than compliance with a one-size-fits-all federal rule.

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Left to Right: Kelly Hayden as Mona, Jesse Fernandez as Lucky, Kathryn Bourell as Joan, Heather McGaughey as Ruby, Chris Myers as Dick, and Michael Pappas as Hennessey.

"Dames at Sea" casts off June 27

"Dames At Sea", with book and lyrics by George Haimsohn and Robin Miller and music by Kim Wise, takes a large loving wink back at the glamour and glitter of the 1930s Busby Berkeley musical. The show follows a group of actors who, ready for their big shot at stardom, are faced with the demolition of their theater. But in true Hollywood fashion, the songwriter sailor will save the show with a smash tune, and the small town girl, who came to New York with taps on her shoes and a song in her heart, becomes a star by taking over the leading role and stealing the show.

"Dames At Sea" is

directed by Rick Roemer, Chair of the Theatre Department at Southwestern University and Artistic Director of Summer Stage Repertory Theatre. A newcomer to Southwestern and the Austin area, Rick was recently nominated for an Austin Theatre Critic's Award for his production of the musical "Godspell" at Southwestern University.

"Dames At Sea" previews 7 p.m. June 27 and opens 8 p.m. June 28 and plays through the weekend before joining in the repertory with "You Can't Take It With You" and "The Arkansaw Bear". Performances will take place in the Jones Theater on

the Southwestern University campus with 7 p.m. shows on June 27 and July 11; 8 p.m. shows on June 28-30 and July 5, 7, 13, 19 and 21, and 2 p.m. matinee performances on July 1, 15 and 21.

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The box office is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Sat., and 1 hour prior to curtain. Tickets for "Dames At Sea" are \$16 for adults, \$14 for seniors (62 and over) and \$10 for youth (17 and under) and students. Discounts are available for groups of 15 or more or save money and guarantee excellent seats for all three shows by becoming a season subscriber. All tickets can be charged by phone by calling 512-863-13785.

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I am Tiger Woods... Almost 20 children turned out for the Mill Creek Men's Golf Association junior skills challenge June 25. Children drove, pitched and putted against others their age with the top three in each age division getting special medals. Participants are shown at top. They are (bottom row, from left) Jeffrey Care, Taylor Rudduck, Spencer Davis, Kyle Bradley and Thomas Rich, (second row, from left) Sarah Dowell, Bryce Dunks, Tyler Burden, Sterling Martoin, Clifton Rich, Kaitlyn Rich, Trevor Radcliffe and Max Care; (top row, from left) MGA President Ed Care, Travis Kemp, Wes Dowell, Lance Westerberg and Kastady Rich. Above, right are the winners in each age category: (front, under 8s) Taylor Rudduck, 2nd, Kyle Bradley, 1st; and Jeffrey Care, 3rd; (middle, 9-11s) Bryce Dunks, 2nd; Clifton Rich, 1st; Tyler Burden, 3rd; (Back, over 12s) Travis Kemp, 2nd; Wes Dowell, 1st; and Kastady Rich, 3rd. Above left, Trevor Radcliffe lines up a putt as MGA member Tom Westerberg looks on. (PHOTOS BY TIM FLEISCHER)

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out the region should use caution when purchasing used vehicles. Bottom line is, 'buyer beware'."

Several steps buyers can take to protect themselves before purchasing a used vehicle, especially if registered in Harris or surrounding counties, include:


- Have a reputable mechanic perform a pre-purchase vehicle inspection. Most flood damage can be discovered by a careful, knowledgeable inspection.
- Purchase a vehicle from a familiar individual or reputable dealer, who may offer a warranty or buy-back provision.
- Be cautious of "great deals" on newer-model vehicles, manufactured

within the last five years, with new carpeting or upholstery. Look under the mat in the trunk and underneath the dashboard. Mud or debris in these areas probably indicates flood damage.

- Examine a vehicle's title before purchasing. The state computer system is not identifying vehicles as flood-damaged yet, however, always ask to see the title. If an insurance company has salvaged a vehicle the title may carry an annotation in the Remarks section.
- Make use of a private service that documents vehicle histories. These types of services can research insurance claims on vehicles that have been damaged.

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Salado's bald eagle meets young eagles

By: C.L. JACK JONES

On May 22, Killeen Mayor Jouett issued a city proclamation that June 9 was declared to be "Young Eagles Day" in Killeen and recognized local Chapter 542 of the EAA Aviation Foundation for conducting a Young Eagles Flight Rally at the Central Texas College hangar on Killeen Municipal Airport.

The EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association) is an international aviation membership association founded in 1953. More than 170,000 people belong to the EAA, with chapters located in all 50 states and many countries.

Members are aviation enthusiasts of every age group, including many airline and commercial pilots, engineers, business people, even astronauts.

They enjoy all types of airplanes, including "experimental" aircraft (a category of airlines designated by the FAA, built by individual craftsmen instead of on a factory assembly line).

The Young Eagles program is sponsored by the EAA Aviation Foundation, a charitable nonprofit organization dedicated to the discovery and fulfillment of individual potential through personal flight.

Each Young Eagle Flight takes place in a FAA registered airplane flown by a licensed pilot. The flight is conducted according to federal regulations.



Airport Operations Manager, Jim Livingston stands alongside his Cherokee aircraft with passengers Amber, 8; Kayla, 9; and Brandon, 11 after completing his second flight at the Young Eagles Rally.

No aerobatics or non-standard maneuvers will be performed. Flying an airplane is safer than many other forms of recreation.

On June 9, Killeen Airport Chapter 542 had seven of its licensed pilot members in their private airplanes giving free introductory flights to 29 youngsters ages 8-17 who live in the general area of Killeen, Temple and Salado.

Saturday morning's low clouds and poor visibility delayed the Young Eagles' flights for about an hour.

That time was spent in a ground school class, "What Makes an Airplane Fly" was attended by all eagles and their family escorts. The class was taught by chapter member, John Ridout, whose presentation was accomplished in a most

thorough and informative manner.

The kids were very attentive and well behaved in ground school that carried over into the morning's flying activities as well.

It has always been gratifying to this old bald eagle of the World War II Air Force to see the uplifting reaction of any human being who has for the first time looked down at the earth from the vantage point

of an airplane.

Once more, speaking from the viewpoint of an old WWII combat fighter pilot, my assessment of June 9th Young Eagles Flight Rally was that it was a great success: and that it certainly reflected the universal "I love to fly" torch that is forever carried on high by all us old pilots, bald pilots and Young Eagles!

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Texas Caviar

Denise Stringfield

1 lg. jar picante sauce
2 (16 oz.) cans black-eyed peas
1 (16 oz.) can white hominy, drained
1 c. diced green bell pepper
1 c. chopped fresh tomato
1/2 c. finely chopped cilantro
1/4 c. seeded and chopped jalapenos
1 c. chopped green onions
1 T. sugar 1 T. salt
2 T. ground black pepper
2 T. ground cumin

Mix all ingredients well. Marinate in the refrigerator for 24 hours. Serve with tortilla chips.

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Play Dough for Kids

2 c. water 2 T. cooking oil
2 tsp. extract (any flavor)
Food Coloring 2 c. flour
1 c. salt
4 tsp. cream of tartar

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I get all sorts of email from high school buddies, relatives and friends. I usually discard them immediately, since most of them are just pap. Cuz Bill sent me one the other day I think I'll share with you, in case you somehow have been out of the country and missed it.

It's about THE BLUES. Blues cars: Chevys, Fords, Cadillacs and broken-down trucks. Blues don't travel in Volvos, BMW's or Sport Utility Vehicles. Most Blues transportation is a Greyhound bus or a southbound train. Jet aircraft an' limos ain't even in the running. Walkin' plays a major part in the Blues lifestyle. So does fixin' to die.

Teenagers can't sing the Blues. They ain't fixin' to die yet. Adults sing the Blues. In Blues, adulthood means being old enough to get the electric chair if you shoot a man in Memphis. Blues can take place in New York City, but not in Hawaii or any place in Canada. Hard times in Minneapolis or Seattle is probably just clinical depression. Chicago, St. Louis and Kansas City are still the best places to have the Blues. You cannot have the Blues in any place that don't get rain.

A man with male pattern baldness ain't the Blues. A woman with male pattern baldness is. Breaking you leg cause you skiing is not the Blues. Breaking you leg 'cause a alligator be chompin' on it is. You can't have no Blues in a office or shopping mall. The lighting is

Collectible items

Old mechanical banks have become so expensive that some collectors have turned to old metal "still" banks or even pottery and glass banks. Banks that have parts that move when a coin is inserted are popular. Some of these are "registering" banks, they record the amount of money that has been deposited.

Today, almost any bank is a collectible, although higher prices are paid for iron, lead or lithographed tin banks. Banks made in the past 50 years are wanted by some collectors. Small "cans" of dog food or oil that have a colorful logo on the side are also popular. So are figurative pottery banks.

Look for metal pieces in good condition with most of the original paint, or undamaged ceramics or plastic. Buy good banks in your price range and learn from them. Eventually you will want to upgrade your collection and save the best examples. But it is impor-

wrong. Go outside to the parking lot or sit by the dumpster.

Good places for the Blues: highway, jailhouse, empty bed, bottom of a whiskey glass. Bad places: Dillard's, gallery openings, Ivy League Institutions.

No one will believe it's the Blues if you wear a suit 'less you happen to be an old ethnic person and you sleep in it.

Blues beverages are cheap wine, whiskey or bourbon, muddy water, nasty black coffee. These are NOT Blues beverages: Perrier, Chardonnay, Snapple and Slim Fast.

If death occurs in a cheap motel or a shotgun shack, it's a Blues death. Stabbed in the back by a jealous lover is another Blues way to die. So is substance abuse and dying lonely on a broken down cot. You can't have a Blues death if you die during a tennis match or getting liposuction.

Some Blues names: Sadie, Big Mama, Bessie, Fat River Dumpling, Joe, Willie, Little Willie, Big Willie. Persons with names like Michelle, Amber, Debbie and Heather can't sing the Blues.

Make your own Blues name starter kit: a. Name a physical infirmity (blind, cripple, lame, etc.) b. The second name should be a fruit (lemon, lime, kiwi) c. The Third name should be the name of a dead president (Jefferson, Johnson, Fillmore.) For instance, Braces Banana Jackson.

If you own a computer you cannot sing the Blues.

tant to search and study. You have to handle many banks before you can recognize the best.

Q: I have an 8-1/2-inch all-glass knife in its original box. The blade is 1-1/2 inches wide. Three snowflakes are embossed on the glass handle. The box reads "The New Cryst-O-Lite Glass Knife." What was a knife like this used for? When was it made, and what is it worth?

A: Glass knives were popular during the 1930s and '40s. Those are the years when inexpensive Depression-glass dinnerware was made in many colors and patterns. Glass knives were used at the table to cut lettuce and soft foods, like butter or cake. It was thought that metal knives made the lettuce turn rusty. Your knife sells for about \$10.

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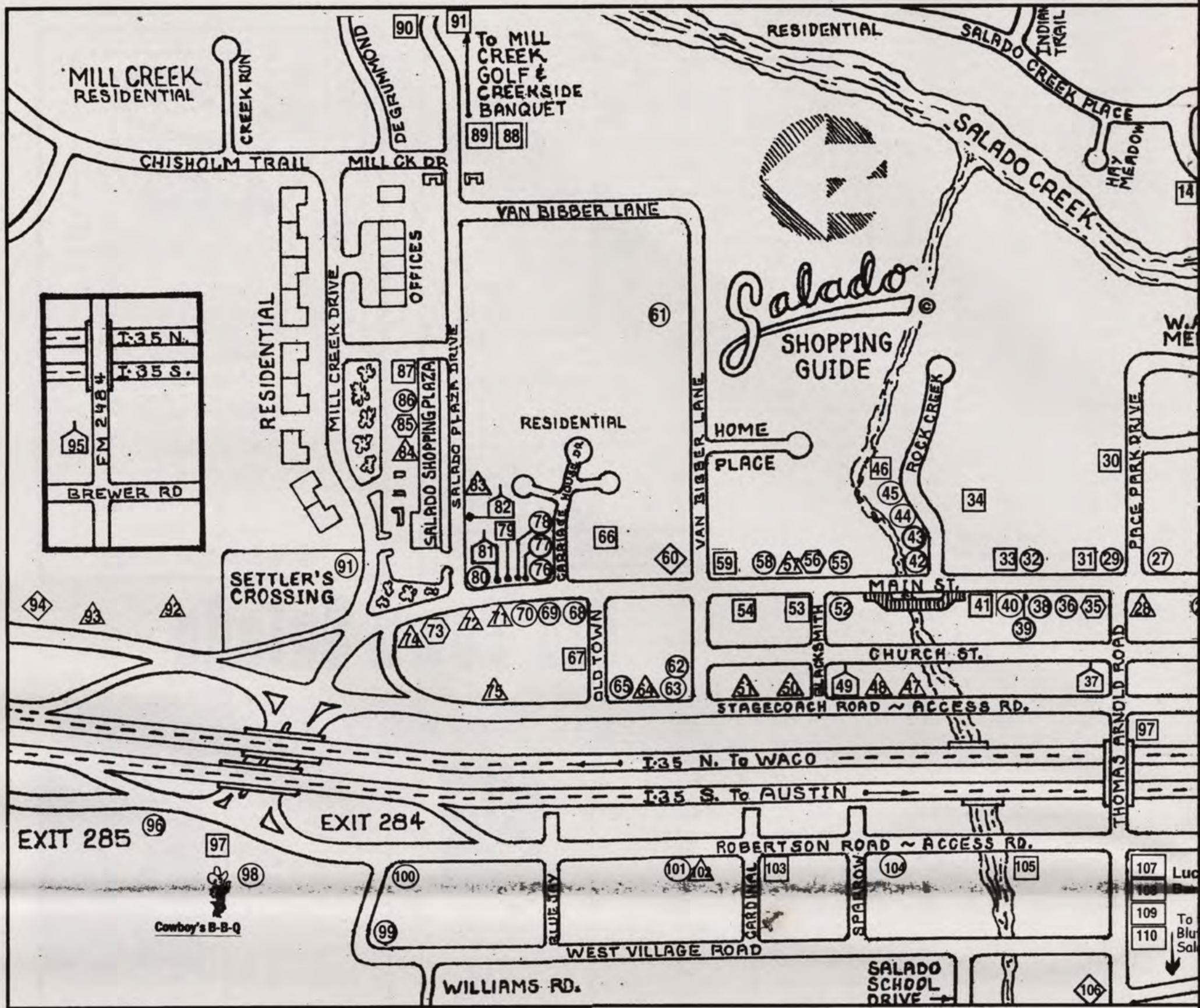
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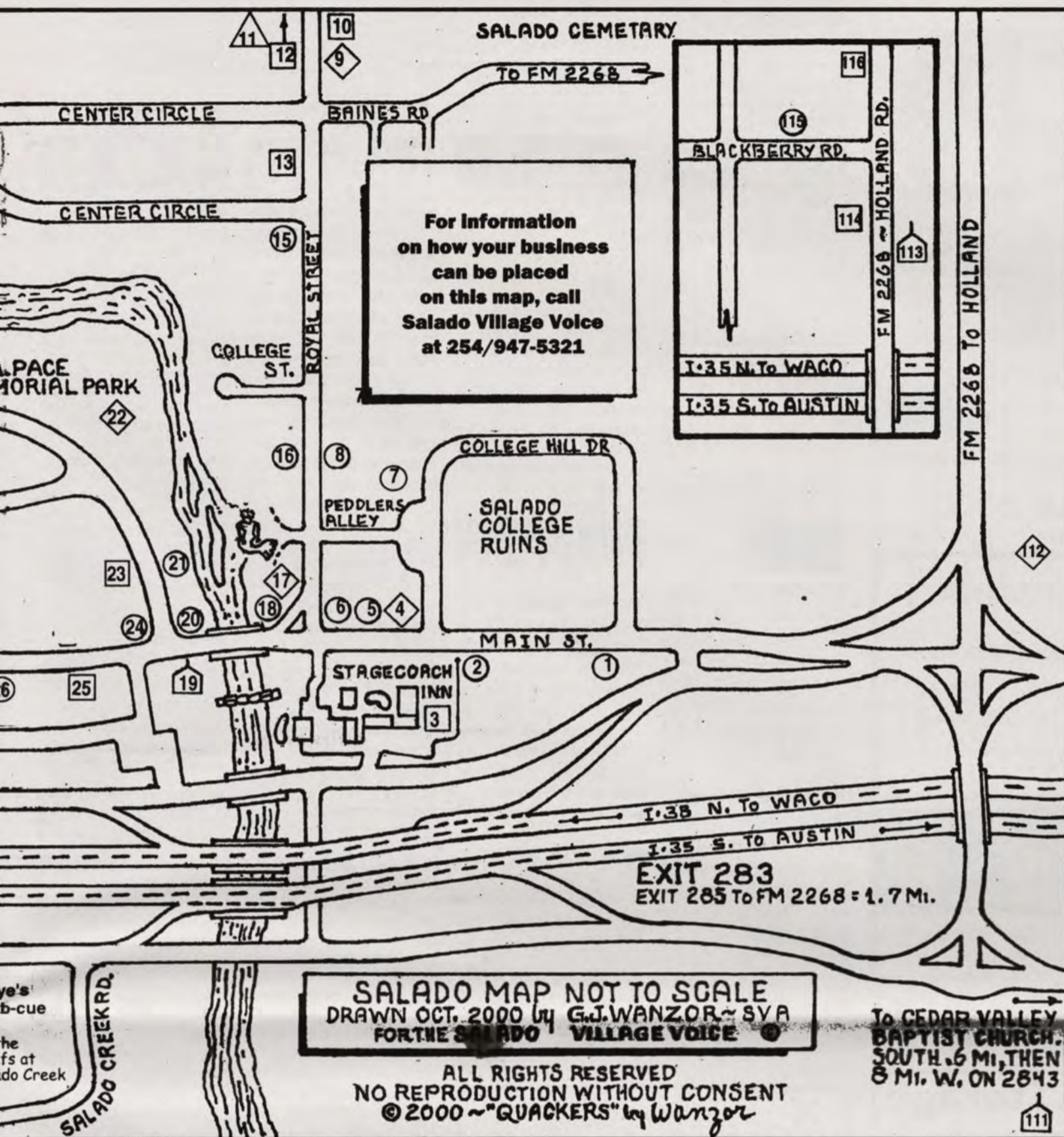
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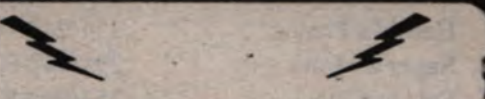
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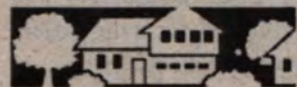
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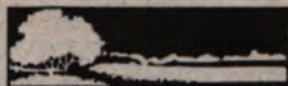


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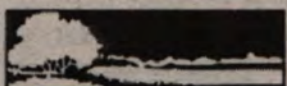
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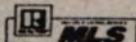
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of wood and the look you want on your patio. Some types of wood furniture should not be painted at all; others need to be stained or painted to provide additional protection.

Tropical woods like mahogany or teak should never be painted or stained, and considering the beauty of these expensive woods, who would want to cover them up? They age gracefully outdoors, even in wintertime, turning an even gray color. Just clean them occasionally with

water and wood soap.

Redwood or cedar furniture should be coated with a water sealer every spring, just before you put it outside (don't apply sealer in direct sunlight). You can paint or stain these woods, though most people prefer not to hide the natural beauty of redwood. Painting or staining the wood means you don't have to apply water sealer every year; just touch up worn spots.

Pine furniture stands up to the elements better when enamel paint or wood stain is applied. Since this type of wood is inexpensive, you can have more fun with it, adding colors or stains to give it a unique

look.

Metal, plastic, canvas or wicker outdoor products are cared for quite differently from wood.

Clean and revive aluminum chairs with detergent-filled steel wool pads, followed by a rubdown with a wet cloth. Protect them with a coat of paste wax, the same kind you use on your car.

Wrought-iron furniture must be cleaned twice a year, in the spring and fall, touched up and then coated with a wrought-iron wax.

Wash plastic and canvas furniture once a month with soap and water, and replace any frayed or damaged pieces.

Wicker and rattan furniture can be vacuumed to remove dirt from the weave, and then washed with mild soap and water. A coat of varnish or enamel paint will prolong its life.

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To help root out any potential problems in your garden, try these tips before digging in the dirt:

- **Gloves are a must.** Toiling in the soil can take its toll on the hands. Handling fertilizer and weeds or even pruning and

raking can drain skin of moisture and emollients. Choose light cotton gloves for planting and weeding and heavier leather gloves for jobs such as hedge trimming and pruning.

- **Don't forget the sunscreen.** Hours spent in the garden usually mean hours spent in the sun. Be sure to protect yourself from harmful ultra violet rays with at least an SPF 15 sunscreen.

- **Buzz off!** To avoid being bugged by mosquitoes and other pests, wear long pants, socks and long sleeves. Also, avoid gardening during the early evening (when mosquitoes tend to be at their worst). If you are bitten by a mosquito, use an anti-itch medication to help relieve the discomfort. In addition to helping stop the itch, the cream con-

tains an antibacterial that can help ward off infection. The product can also be an effective way to relieve the pain caused by bee stings or irritation caused by poisonous plants.

- **Soil, soil everywhere.** Maintain a balanced soil pH to help plants (and your skin) thrive. If your soil is highly acidic, add neutralizing lime. If soil is too alkaline, add garden sulfur to increase acidity.

- **On bended knee.** Extended gardening sessions tend to put stress on the knees and back. Be sure to stand up straight periodically and give your body a break.

- **Poisonous plants.** Learn how to identify toxic plants, including poison ivy, oak and

sumac. Despite nearly 90 percent of the country being sensitive to such plants, a survey found 60 percent of gardeners can not identify them.

If you come across a toxic plant, be aware that its roots can cause as much havoc as its leaves and that urushiol oil (the sap that causes itchy reactions) can often be found in the soil surrounding the plant.

- **Wash your tools.** Be sure to clean your garden tools after each use, especially if you've been near poisonous plants. Plant toxins can remain active on a tool for months.

Ms. Coelho is an expert gardener and host of Home & Garden Television's top-rated series Surprise Gardener.

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\$159,500 - Breathtaking view of the golf course and lake from this sparkling clean townhome. You will enjoy spending time on the large deck or the upstairs balcony. Lovely hardwood floors, ceramic tile and California shutters. The seller has maintained and upgraded this property with a new heat pump, air conditioner, plumbing fixtures, expanded deck, roof and insulated attic storage. Possession available after July 1. Homeowners dues of \$130 per month takes care of the outside maintenance.



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- **\$329,000** - Custom home in Royal Oaks. 3 BR, 3-1/2 BA.
- **\$389,000** - Texas style ranchette. In-door pool, hot tub & waterfall. Wooded.
- **\$529,000** - 5 BR, 3-1/2 BA overlooking Creek and 8th Fairway on golf course.



\$529,000 - 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.



\$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.



\$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.



\$149,500 - New Listing! On a quiet cul-de-sac in Mill Creek. Inviting hardwood floors, large open kitchen with custom cabinetry, designer light fixtures and plumbing fixtures, garden tub in the master bath. The enclosed porch makes a perfect office or den.

Commercial Property

- 3 acres along I-35, at Amity West.
- **\$110,800** - Commercial or investment opportunity. Approximately 1401 S.F. **Under Contract**
- **\$150,000** - Prime location on Main Street. 2 BR, 1 BA. Lots of potential.
- **\$400,000** - Commercial building on I-35 frontage road & 2 mobile homes on 1.86 acres.
- **\$429,000** - 5.66 acres commercial property off Main Street.
- **\$650,000** - Main Street. Commercial property w/large showroom, office, apartment and rental office space.

Acreage Available

- 150 acres on Hwy 36 at Temple Airport.
- 22 acres on Loop 121 in Belton many possible uses, has water & sewer.
- 23.4 acres 14 miles S. of Killeen, All woods, good hunting. \$75,000.
- 10+ acre tract in Hilltop View Farms off FM 2115. \$5,500 per acre.
- 8.77 acres on I-35 at crossover with road on 3 sides, Exit 286 at Salado.
- 5+ acres Windmill Hill.
- 3 acres, all woods, good frontage, water available. Near Stillhouse Lake.
- **Windy Hill Ranch** - Lovely 2 acre home sites with lake and mountain views, highly restricted, well located, Salado schools.

Mill Creek Lots

- Chisholm Trail - \$26,900
- Chisholm Trail - \$27,500
- 700 Indian Trail - \$36,000

Other Lots

- Amanda Circle (2 lots) - \$9,500 each
- Live Oak Road - \$37,000 U/C
- Hodge Canyon Dr. - \$22,000

Lots

- 808 Mill Creek Dr. - \$30,000
- Mill Creek Springs - \$30-\$75,000
- Winner's Circle - \$50-\$58,000
- Old Mill Rd & S. Ridge - \$39,900 U/C
- Royal Oaks - \$30,000
- Royal Oaks - \$45,000 U/C
- Whispering Woods - \$12,000 (Belton)

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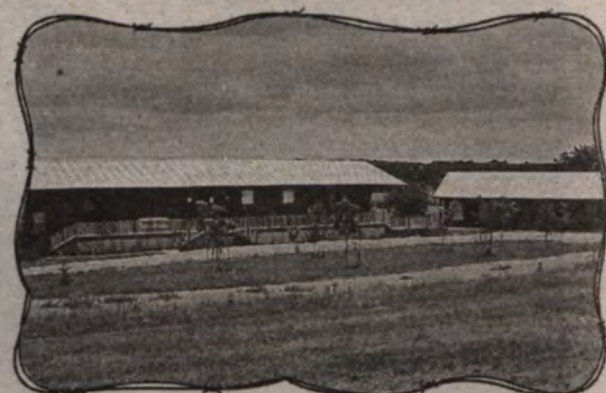
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3/2,5 in Mill Creek has 2 living areas and a 2 car garage. Features a wood deck, jacuzzi and sprinkler system. **\$164,000.**



Custom Built Country Home. Rustic country home on secluded 4 acres, covered with large trees. This 3 BR, 3 BA, 3 Living, formal dining, front and back porches plus several out buildings. **\$220,000.**



Classic restored railroad depot with tank on 16 rolling Hill Country acres. 3+ bedrooms, 3 baths, vaulted ceilings, original beams, floors and windows in addition a 2 car garage with a tack room, workshop and three stalls. A must see!! **\$495,000.**



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. **\$132,000.**



"Tee in Mill Creek" 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, exercise room, large shop, beautiful landscaped on #2 at Mill Creek. A must see! **\$249,900.**



Charming 2 story country cottage secluded on 2 acres covered with large native trees. Small guest room in garage. **\$160,000.** Additional acreage available.



Looking for that small home on acreage? This Austin Stone 3 bedroom with 2 baths has 2.5 acres of trees and is only 2 years old. Close proximity to Killeen and Temple. **\$116,000.**

Residential Listings

\$94,900: 3 BR/2BA/1 Car Garage within walking distance to Main St. Salado.

\$132,000: 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.

\$164,000: 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. Formal living and dining, outstanding backyard.

\$249,900: 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, exercise room, large shop, beautiful landscaped on #2 at Mill Creek. A must see!

\$360,000: Unique country setting on 33 heavily wooded acres with a charming country cottage secluded in a park like setting.

Acreage Available

1/2 acre facing FM 2484. \$12,500.

2 one acre lots on Sam Neil. \$15,000 per acre.

2 acres: Blackberry, two wooded acres - \$39,900.

3 acres commercial fronting I-35, 1 mile S. of Salado, \$79,900.

8 acres on Smith Dairy. \$40,000.

30 acres on Smith Dairy Rd. Panoramic hilltop view.

5 minutes to Belton or Salado. \$2,950/acre.

33 acres on Sulphur Wells. Perfect homesite.

Website: www.salado.net
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TRACT	ACRES	PRICE
1	5.34	47,900
2	SOLD	
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	SOLD	69,900
7	SOLD	139,900
8	SOLD	194,900
9	SOLD	149,900
10	SOLD	69,900
Lot 1	SOLD	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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Acreage Available

62.5 acres. Pendleton area. \$850 per acre.
84 acres in Red Ranger. \$1,300 per acre. Owner will finance.

928 acres Southwest of Salado. Beautiful rolling tree country with live creek and large lake on property. Excellent views. Outstanding wildlife.

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

\$86,000: Near Belton 3/2/2 only one year old. Easy access to Killeen and Temple.

Country Homes

Ranch House with barn. This home offers 3 bedroom, 2 bath on 5 acres covered with live oak trees. Unique setting! **\$150,000.**

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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 **SOLD**
Lot #2 **SOLD**
Lot #3 **SOLD**