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Hometown newspaper read by Ken & Linda Quirk

## Village plans playground for fields of Pace Park

BY RICHARD ASHE  
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VILLAGE OF SALADO

Plans are now being made by the Village and the Pace Park Board to add playground equipment to Pace Park as part of the overall improvements to be made to the park. Last year the Village included in its goals to begin making improvements to the park. The first phase will be the construction of a new playground.

A new committee has been appointed by the Mayor to put together the new playground. The committee is chaired by Alderman Ashe and also includes Marie Carney Sunshine, Gavin

Radebaugh, Dawn Orange, Hulda Horton, Frank Benolken, Amanda Gerhart, Christy Arner, and Lindi Privitt. The committee is looking at an overall design for the playground as well as the means to build. While the Village has put some money in the budget for the playground, it will not be enough to build the playground completely. So the committee will soon be asking for donations to help fund the project. We are trying to build something unique and fun for the kids.

If anyone has ideas or would be willing to donate money, labor, or supplies please contact Alderman Ashe or one of the other committee members.



Lance Cox, of Salado Floors and Walls, helps unload food for needy families at the First Baptist Church of Salado on March 14. Feed the Children, the relief organization based out of Oklahoma, rolled in a rig stocked full of relief material for over 60 families and six different area help centers. Many volunteers were on hand to contribute in the unloading and distribution of the goods. The occasion was part of the ongoing cooperation between the Salado Food Pantry, based out of the First Baptist Church of Salado, Holland Homes and Protect America Security, and other local relief organizations. Thad Paschall, of the locally based Holland Homes and Protect America, Inc., funded the outfitting of the truck. Over the past five years, his companies have donated over \$1 million in relief for children's charities, including \$650,000 to Feed the Children. The Feed the Children truck comes to Salado about once a year. (PHOTO BY CHRIS MCGREGOR)

## Institute to present first in Spring series of lectures & seminars

The Institute for the Humanities at Salado presents the first of four weekends of lecture-discussions and seminars in its spring series "Commitments: Choice and Consequences." This weekend focuses on achieving well-being and health through mindfulness.

On March 22, Dr. Saki Santorelli gives a day-long workshop for healthcare professionals on "Knowing Ourselves/Healing Ourselves: A Restorative Day of Mindfulness for Healthcare Professionals and Other Caregivers" at the Inn at Scott & White, Temple from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Dr. Santorelli directs the Center for Mindfulness in Medicine, Health Care, and Society at the

University of Massachusetts Medical School. For 20 years, he and Dr. Jon Kabat-Zinn have been researching the effects of mindfulness training on healthcare and healing. At the Salado Civic Center, Dr. Santorelli will lead up to 100 healthcare professionals and other caregivers in understanding and experiencing mindfulness as a state of mind, a way of being, and a professional practice. King's Daughters Hospital and the departments of Family Medicine and Pediatrics at Scott & White Clinic have underwritten the cost of this workshop to make it available at \$52.50 per person. The workshop includes a light lunch.

Saturday evening,

March 22, Dr. Santorelli gives a public talk in Killeen on "Listening From the Inside Out: Learning to Trust Your Inner Compass" from 7-9 p.m. in the auditorium of the Nursing & Science Building (Building #150). Cost of this lecture is \$15.

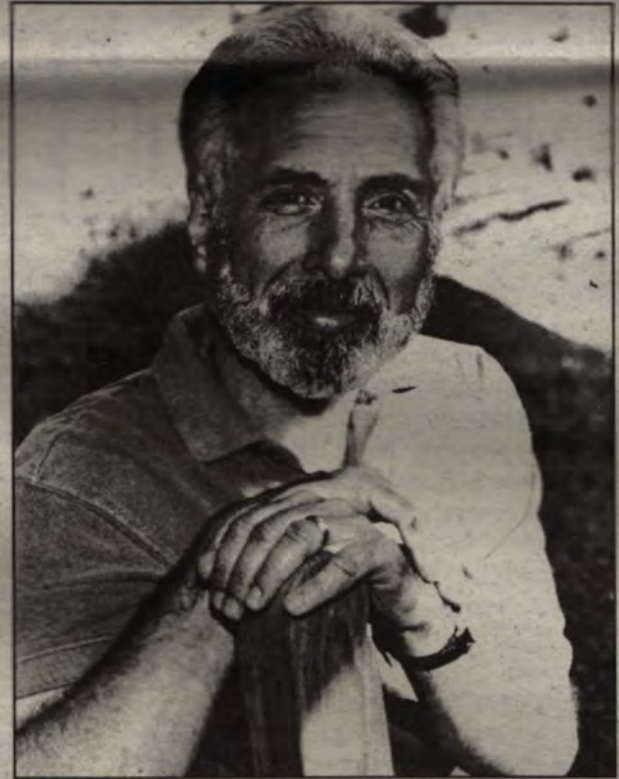
On Sunday afternoon, March 23, Dr. Santorelli gives his final presentation, "The Pull of the Soul Toward the Possible: Mindfulness in Action" 4-6 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center. The cost of this lecture is \$27.50.

The Institute for the Humanities at Salado, a non-partisan public humanities institute, offers these three lectures as part of the spring programs it is presenting in Killeen,

Temple, and Salado. All events are open to the public.

Prices vary with each event. Pre-registration is recommended, however seating may be available at the door. Because of institute member's donations to the Nancy Lefler Scholarship Fund, scholarships for two teachers and students at middle and high schools may be available at these events.

Contact the Institute for the Humanities at Salado at 254-947-5729 or email coord@vwm.com for enrollment, additional information, a brochure of all the spring programs, and directions to the events.



Dr. Saki Santorelli

## March sales tax rebates down for village, public library

Sales tax rebate payments to the Village of Salado were down considerably in March, a drop of more than 21 percent to \$13,706.78 from \$17,424.27 in March 2002.

Despite the March decline, payments to the Village of Salado are up for the year at \$83,085.22, compared to \$79,582.92 through March 2002.

The payment to the Salado Public Library District is also down, a drop of four percent to \$10,660.96 this month. Payments for the year are about the same compared to 2002:

\$49,476.85 through March, compared to \$49,584.14 through March 2002.

Rebate payments to Bell County are down for March, a three percent drop to \$588,643.31 from last year's payment of \$608,113.55. Payments of \$2.3 million to the county so far this year are one percent lower than in 2002.

The county's largest cities showed increases in their March payments. Killeen's March payment was almost 10 percent higher than last year, at \$906,371.56, while Temple's payment of

\$760,761.47 is five percent higher than last year's March payment.

Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn sent \$280.2 million in monthly sales tax payments to local governments March 14.

While state sales tax collections continue to fall, this month's local allocation actually represents a 3.3 percent increase compared to March 2002.

This can happen occasionally due to a wide variety of factors that can affect local tax revenue. This month's increase results largely from addi-

tional money gained from successful audits, local sales tax increases (largely composed of new local street maintenance taxes), additional annexations and the creation of a number of new special purpose districts.

March sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in January and reported to the Comptroller in February. The state's share of sales tax reported during this period was \$1.1 billion, a decline of 4.7 percent compared to a year ago.

Strayhorn sent sales tax

rebates of \$188.6 million to Texas cities, up 3.7 percent compared to city sales tax rebates in March 2002. However, for the first three months of this year, city sales tax rebates are down 0.7 percent compared to the same period last year.

Texas counties received sales tax payments totaling \$16.8 million, up 5.6 percent compared to March 2002. Year-to-date, county sales tax payments are down 0.4 percent compared to 2002.

Seventy-six special purpose taxing districts received \$7.6 million, up

6.9 percent compared to one year ago, and Texas' six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit departments received \$67.2 million in sales tax revenue, up 1.4 percent.

For details of March sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit departments and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at [www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html).

# FORUM

An Open Exchange of Ideas



## The New Limousine Liberals

The "limousine liberal" is back.

The phrase once conjured Manhattanites who championed the poor while getting chauffeured to dinner parties. Now the locus of limousine liberalism has shifted West, and the vehicle of choice has changed. Its new practitioners don't dare get caught in a limousine and, instead, ostentatiously drive the latest hybrid cars. But the dynamic is the same: Just as the old limo liberals in the 1970s made everyone else suffer for their principles, they lived in neighborhoods too nice to be affected by a soft-on-crime justice system, for instance, the new ones want to make the rest of America shoulder their fancies. The queen bee of the limo-liberal revival is provocateur Arianna Huffington.

"Ask yourself, Which America do you live in?" she writes in her latest pasted-together screed against American society, "Pigs at the Trough." "Do you live in a \$90 million mansion in Bel Air like Global Crossing founder and chairman Gary Winnick?"

Which America does Huffington live in? According to the Los Angeles Times, the purchase price of her 9,000-square-foot French-style house in Brentwood, Calif., was \$4.3 million.

It is entirely possible to hate the rich while being rich. But Huffington stretches La Rochefoucauld's famous phrase, "Hypocrisy is the homage vice pays to virtue," so far that he might have concluded instead that vice was simply getting away with something.

Her latest crusade against SUVs has required personal adjustments. She ditched chauffeured rides in her own Lincoln Navigator. She now drives a Toyota hybrid, and only takes fuel-slurping private jets when someone else is going to the same destination (oh, the sacrifice!).

It's easy for Huffington to switch cars to make a political point, but she is demanding that Americans make a lifestyle choice

### The Rich Lowry column



not readily available to them.

Much of the country is under snow during the winter, conditions that call for big cars. Brentwood doesn't get a lot of snowfall. Families want SUVs to pile kids into. Hollywood is not so family-friendly, Huffington's fellow anti-SUV crusader Bill Maher's idea of family is whatever model he picks up on a given night.

So, limousine liberalism lives on. But the old limo libs at least were idealistic. The new ones are the opposite of idealists, in the formal sense of thinking that ideas drive the world. They argue that money is behind everything.

Huffington considers everyone bought, conservatives, liberals, hawks, doves. She believes that the purpose of the war in Iraq is to make money for Vice President Dick Cheney's former firm Halliburton, President Bush is only pretending to want to protect Americans and liberate Iraq.

What a noxious allegation, one that rests on the assumption that everyone in America cares only about his or her own advantage, and values the most superficial considerations of money and power over anything else. That assumption might hold in parts of Hollywood, but the new limousine liberals should keep their corrosive cynicism, and their funny cars, to themselves.

## GOP lawmakers struggling to escape "No New Tax" trap by circumventing "Pay As You Go" rule in Constitution

The harsh light of political reality is slowly dawning on Republican lawmakers in Austin, and together with their statewide elected cohorts, have discovered that the "No New Tax" box they constructed during last year's election campaign provides them with no room to maneuver without appearing to be "promise breakers" or worse - unable to honestly face the damage they are about to create by cutting critical state services by nearly \$10 billion.

One possible "escape-from-reality" scheme that GOPers have contrived, began last week with an official request by Senator Steve Ogden (R-Bryan), to Attorney General Greg Abbott, to see if the State's current fiscal dilemma is sufficient to trigger a never-before-used section in the Texas Constitution that gives lawmakers permission to override the balanced budget requirement and spend more dollars than they have on hand, or are projected by the Comptroller. This can only be initiated if there is a sure-fire "emergency" and/or "imperative public necessity."

The revered "pay as you go" safeguard was added to the State Constitution by a voter-approved amendment in 1942 and has since become a valuable (actually the only) curb that keeps Texas government on the fiscal-straight-and-narrow while effectively corralling spendthrift lawmakers who are wont to dig deep deficit holes, similar to the near-bankruptcy status facing many large states nationwide.

### PLOT UNFOLDS

The Republican plot will deviously unfold if GOP Attorney General Abbot allows legislators to declare a fiscal "emergency" and an "imperative public necessity" which in turn would give them concurrent consent to spend money they neither have, nor expect to have, over the next biennial budget period. This also frees lawmakers from the Comptroller's revenue certification that legally controls the size of all two year spending bills. Comptroller Strayhorn is naturally opposed to this idea of by-passing her fiefdom and will, no doubt, fight the proposal.

The final step to put this charade in place is the most difficult, perhaps even impossible, since it would require coercing the Legislature to muster a four-fifths vote (in each Chamber) to approve a spending bill without the Comptroller's revenue restrictions as required by the Constitution. Republicans would have to round up 120 votes in the House to pass this extraordinary measure. They control an 88 member majority so at least 32 Democrats would have to cross the aisle - no small task.

The 19 Senate GOPers would need help from at least six members of the loyal opposition to reach the 25 votes necessary to override the constitution. Fact is, seven Democratic Senators could unravel the entire plan by failing to show up for a quorum call when the measure goes to the floor, thus leaving their conservative pals "one vote" shy of passage.

If this first unfunded budget in 61 years does pass muster by the AG and both legislative houses, it is fairly certain Governor Perry will sign the measure and get out from under the pressure-packed corner he and his fellow Republicans have painted themselves into, thanks to their constant harping about "no-new-taxes."

This legislative departure from fiscal restraint would also give the Legislature and Governor authorization to issue bonds

### Off the Record

by Ken Clapp



**Time to tell lawmakers "NO" to charade that would plunge Texas head-over-heels in hock through "bonded" indebtedness. Repayment would require massive new taxes.**

to operate the government when tax dollars run out during the next two year budget cycle.

The bonds would be guaranteed by future state revenues and include full repayment plus monumental amounts of interest. We are talking about billions of dollars in bonded indebtedness that would require enormous tax hikes, both now and well into the future.

### GENIE UNBOTTLED

This Republican travesty would convert their "no new tax" song-and-dance into an "emergency" skid that puts the State in hock for billions of bucks. Their only hope for success is that a lethargic public will not catch on to the fact that avoiding modest new taxes today, in return for a massive state debt and heavy taxes later, is fiscally irresponsible and will cost more in the long run.

Also, for what it's worth - this very bad plan is contrary to the monetary dictums of the Republican Party's political catechism!

Once this genie is released from its bottle - the so called "fiscal emergencies" will become commonplace and the state debt will grow like the national debt - requiring more new tax dollars annually to service the State's interest and principal obligations. It will become the epitome of the oft quoted "slippery slope" only in this case the result will be an always-in-debt state government - a danger that wiser Texans have shied away from for over half a century.

### WORD TO LAWMAKERS: "NO"

The time to stop this fiscal foolishness is today and the word to lawmakers must be "NO!" If we need more money for realistic governmental services, then have the Legislature pass a tax bill and be done with it, but stop the deception of circumventing the constitution with a masquerade that replaces "no new taxes" with "borrowing" that ends up costing taxpayers more while protecting elected officials from voter retribution next year.

### ONE YEAR BUDGET

A few legislators have suggested an alternative to destroying the Constitutional prohibition against deficit spending, namely creating a one year spending bill and return in 2004 to finish the job. Hope would be that the upcoming war is short and highly successful, plus an economy that quickly rebounds thereby creating additional tax dollars.

Downside to a special budget session is that 2004 is a presidential election year and with most Texas lawmakers running for reelection (along with President Bush, who needs things in Texas to remain politically calm), there is the fear that an out-of-control legislative brawl, could spell disaster to incumbents, especially GOPers whose "No Tax" fixation might be blamed, and quite naturally cause voters to seek revenge at the ballot box.

That's -30-

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## Comments revealing

BY: TEXAS DEMOCRATIC PARTY  
MOLLY BETH MALCOLM  
CHAIRWOMAN

State Representative Debbie Riddle, a Houston Republican, came under fire this week for suggesting that our state's commitment to providing all Texas children with a quality education is a concept from communist Russia, or, to use her words, "straight out of the pit of hell."

Specifically, *The El Paso Times* reported that after a hearing of the House Border Affairs Committee, of which she is a member, Rep. Riddle said:

"Where did this idea come from that everybody deserves free education, free medical care, free whatever? It comes from Moscow, from Russia. It comes straight out of the pit of hell."

While Rep. Riddle's comments are outrageous, they also reveal the Republican's true agenda in Texas. Rep. Riddle's comments amount to more than an individual politician foolishly showcasing her ignorance. Unfortunately they are an accurate portrayal of the approach that many Republicans bring to the budget crisis facing Texas.

Republicans proposed abolishing the state's public school finance system. Their plan would cut state funding for 9 out of every 10 Texas school children without any alternative method to replace it.

Republicans have proposed a voucher program that would divert taxpayer dollars to private schools and drain money out of public schools.

Republicans are contemplating slashing a program that provides low-cost health insurance to half a million children from working families. The Republican cuts would leave 250,000 children out of the Children's Health Insurance Program. Furthermore, Texas will forfeit

\$1 billion in federal funds from Washington, DC if the Republicans have their way.

Republicans have proposed cutting treatment for the mentally ill and mentally retarded. The \$287.5 million cut will result in the closing of state hospitals, hundreds of layoffs, and thousands of Texans going without mental health treatment.

Republicans have proposed increasing tuition at our state colleges and universities.

What Republican leaders are calling "tuition deregulation" would result in middle class families being unable to afford college education for their children.

Republicans have proposed kicking 25,000 of our senior citizens out of nursing homes. Hundreds of thousands of elderly or disabled people who live at home would lose their medication as well.

One Republican even suggested eliminating the 12th grade in order to balance the budget!

Democrats want to balance the budget but we oppose balancing the budget on the backs of children, the elderly and working families.

Republicans appear willing to put cuts ahead of people.

Rep. Riddle may sound like an extremist, but her views reflect the proposals of many Republican legislators. What makes the Republican cuts so alarming is that there are enough Republicans like Rep. Riddle in the House and Senate to pass these types of draconian cuts.

There's a reason Republicans haven't controlled the legislature for 130 years. Perhaps after the Republican cuts are enacted, the voters of Texas will decide they shouldn't control it for another 130 years.

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Last Friday night, March 7, our doorbell rang, and when my husband answered it, there was a mischievous prank placed in front of our front door. Not knowing who did it, and because of our concern for our other neighbors, we called the Police Department to report it. Within about 10 minutes Officer M. Bruno Matarazzo was at our door with a very contrite young prankster who gave us an apology, and cleaned up what he had done. Officer Matarazzo told us that he was taking the prankster home and would have the parents call us. A little later the father did call us, and also gave us an apology and was very nice and concerned for

what his son had done.

The next day, Officer Matarazzo paid us another visit and came in to talk with us. We appreciated his concern and dedication to his duty as a police officer. He assured us that we should call any time he could be of service to us.

We also want to commend the parents who also paid us a visit with their son for caring enough for him to want him to be responsible for his actions. We had a very nice visit and found them to be very nice and caring people. The son was a very remorseful young man and is accounting for his foolish actions.

Ed and Kitty Baker  
Salado

# FORUM



## Making space work

By ROBERT GARMONG

When asked how they would "heal" after the loss of space shuttle Columbia, NASA's engineers responded as one: NASA heals by solving yesterday's problems and launching the next mission. So, indeed, does the American nation. Thus, before the grief had fully faded into memory, we began asking ourselves what had gone wrong, and how to solve it.

Many solutions have been proposed, from the incremental (such as safety upgrades and improved inspections) to the radical (such as a new breed of space vehicles powered by plasma engines). But the most radical change, the one that would improve space exploration most dramatically, has been ignored: privatizing the space program.

There is a contradiction at the heart of the space program: space exploration, as the grandest of man's technological advancements, requires the kind of bold innovation possible only to minds left free to pursue the best of their thinking and judgment. Yet by placing the space program under governmental funding, we necessarily place it at the mercy of governmental whim. The results are written all over the past 20 years of NASA's history: the space program is a political animal, marked by shifting, inconsistent and ill-defined goals.

The space shuttle was built and maintained to please clashing constituencies, not to do a clearly defined job for which there was an economic and technical need. The shuttle was to launch satellites for the Department of Defense and private contractors--which could be done more

cheaply by lightweight, disposable rockets. It was to carry scientific experiments--which could be done more efficiently by unmanned vehicles. But one "need" came before all technical issues: NASA's political need for showy manned vehicles. The result, as great a technical achievement as it is, was an over-sized, over-complicated, over-budget overly dangerous vehicle that does everything poorly and nothing well.

Indeed, the space shuttle program was supposed to be phased out years ago, but the search for its replacement has been halted, largely because space contractors enjoy collecting on the overpriced shuttle without the expense and bother of researching cheaper alternatives. A private industry could have fired them--but not so in a government project, with home-district congressmen to lobby on their behalf.

Now comes evidence that the political nature of the space program may have even been directly responsible for the Columbia disaster. Fox News reported that NASA chose to stick with non-Freon-based foam insulation on the booster rockets, despite evidence that this type of foam causes up to 11 times as much damage to thermal tiles as the older, Freon-based foam. Although NASA was exempted from the restrictions on Freon use, which environmentalists believe causes ozone depletion, and despite the fact that the amount of Freon released by NASA's rockets would have been trivial, the space agency elected to stick with the politically correct foam.

It is impossible to integrate the contradictory. To whatever extent an engineer is forced to base his

decisions, not on the realities of science but on the arbitrary, unpredictable, and often impossible demands of a politicized system, he is stymied. Yet this politicizing is an unavoidable consequence of governmental control over scientific research and development. If space development is to be transformed from an expensive national bauble whose central purpose is to assert national pride, to a practical industry with real and direct benefits, it will only be by unleashing the creative force of free and rational minds.

Nor would it be difficult to spur the private exploration of space. After government involvement in space exploration is phased out, the free market will work to produce whatever there is demand for, just as it now does with traditional aircraft, both military and civilian. In addition, Congress should develop a system of property rights to any stellar body reached and exploited by an American company. This would provide economic incentive for the sorts of extremely ambitious projects NASA would not dare to propose--its Congressional purse-holders.

Extending man's reach into space is not, as some have claimed, our "destiny." Standing between us and the stars are enormous technical difficulties, the solution of which will require even more heroic determination than that which tamed the seas and the continents. But first, we must make a fundamental choice: will America continue to hold its best engineering minds captive to politics, or will we set them free?

Robert Garmong is a writer for the Ayn Rand Institute in Irvine, CA.

## Her cell phone cartel



Jim Hightower

Nancy Victory. Sounds like the name of a comic book heroine, doesn't it?

But, no, she's for real, and whether you think she's a heroine or not depends on which end of the cell phone you're on. If you're on the consumer end, not.

But if you're an executive or lobbyist for Singular, SBC, Verizon, or one of the other big sellers of cell plans, definitely yes!

Nancy Victory heads an obscure federal outfit called the National Telecommunications and Information Administration. Sounds boring. But having this position makes her the point person on telecommunications policy for the Bushites. There's lots of dough riding on the policy decisions she makes - dough that eventually comes out of the pockets of us cell phoners.

Now, let's all guess who Ms. Victory worked for before going inside Bush's government.

Of course, the cell phone industry! She was a lawyer with a big firm in Washington that represents such outfits as - surprise! - Verizon, SBC, etc.

After Bush appointed her, Nancy was celebrated at a private reception by her old corporate pals. The party was hosted and paid for by the top lobbyists for - you got it - Singular, SBC, and Motorola. Only 10 days after this gala, Nancy zipped off a formal agency letter to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), demanding that it immediately repeal a regulation that had long bothered her friends in the industry. In essence, what this repeal would do is to let the big players divide the territory and begin eliminating pesky competitors.

Two weeks after her letter, the FCC obliged, doing just as Nancy asked. Who says government is slow and unresponsive! Confronted about the curious chronology at play here, Nancy indignantly says that any suggestion that there was a connection is "ridiculous." She also refused to identify the industry guests who attended her reception, saying simply: "They're my friends."

Exactly. And that's what's wrong - Nancy and her friends are running government as though it's their private party.

The Village Board of Aldermen met in regular session on February 20<sup>th</sup> and adopted Ordinance No. 2003.04, Revised Sign Ordinance.

### SIGN ORDINANCE

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE VILLAGE OF SALADO, TEXAS, REGULATING SIGNS WITHIN THE VILLAGE LIMITS AND ITS EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, PROVIDING FOR THE FOLLOWING: NAME, LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS; PURPOSE; DEFINITIONS; PERMIT REQUIREMENT; VARIANCE PROCEDURE; PROHIBITIONS ON CERTAIN SIGNS; REQUIREMENTS FOR ON-PREMISE SIGNS; RESTRICTIONS ON OFF-PREMISE SIGNS; SPECIFIC STANDARDS FOR CERTAIN SIGNS; ALLOWANCES FOR LIMITED NONCONFORMING SIGNS; ENFORCEMENT TO INCLUDE A MAXIMUM CRIMINAL FINE OF \$500 PER VIOLATION, CIVIL PENALTIES NOT TO EXCEED \$100 PER VIOLATION, AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF INCLUDING SIGN REMOVAL; DECLARATION OF CERTAIN SIGN VIOLATIONS AS A PUBLIC NUISANCE; SEVERABILITY; EFFECTIVE DATE; PUBLIC NOTICE AND MEETING; REPEALER.**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen of the Village of Salado seeks to provide for the orderly development of land and use of property within its corporate limits and its extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen seeks to maintain the value of Salado's scenic and natural resources, which are the keystones of the Village's economic strength and quality of life through a comprehensive regulatory program that includes ordinances restricting signs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen finds that improperly constructed and poorly maintained signs may be safety hazards that constitute a public health risk; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen finds that proper signs can create a pleasing environment for shoppers as well as the entire community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen finds that certain signs overwhelm the public, unduly distract and confuse motorists by diverting attention away from the roadway, and result in safety threats to vehicular and pedestrian traffic; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen finds that certain signs constitute aesthetic harm by cluttering the rural landscape and highway corridors and adversely affecting the naturally scenic views and native environment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen finds that certain signs may conceal or obstruct windows, doors, or significant architectural features or details of buildings; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen finds it to be in the best interest of the public safety, health and general welfare to regulate the construction, design, repair, demolition, maintenance and use of signs so to preserve the quality of life for Village residents, visitors and property owners, maintain the public rights-of-way, prevent threats to public safety, prevent traffic hazards, restrict signs that unduly interfere with scenic views and constitute a public nuisance, deter signs that are detrimental to property values; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen finds it to be in the best interest of the public to regulate signs so as to promote roadway and pedestrian safety, encourage effective communication with the public, improve the appearance of the Village, and uphold the principles of free speech, including commercial speech and enhance the community's small town character while preserving the authentic cultural heritage of the area both within the current boundaries of the Village and within the ETJ wherein the Village may expand in the future; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Aldermen is authorized to regulate signs within the corporate limits of the Village and its ETJ by virtue of the Texas Constitution, the Village's police power and by the Texas Local Government Code, Chapters 51, 54, 211, 216, and 217.

If you would like a copy of the newly revised sign ordinance, please contact the Village office at 947-5060 or come by M-F, 8:00am to 5:00pm, closed for lunch.

## SISD fund balance may surpass \$1 Mil, board to examine expenses

Salado ISD projects that it may increase the fund balance to over \$1.1 million by the end of the school year, despite a projected \$84,539 in budget amendments for expenditures.

The district is expected to receive an additional \$268,566 in maintenance and operation revenues. The school may receive an added \$26,000 in debt service funds, as well.

The district adopted its budget based on a 1.5 percent increase in projected Average Daily Attendance (ADA), a total of 957 students. However, total ADA is at 1,001 students at the current time, bringing about the substantial increase in funding for the school district.

The board amended its budget in September for increased expenditure for a third grade teacher, additional hours for a speech therapist, a stipend for a flag corp sponsor and growth contingency. The district expended \$7,000 in transfer fees by allocating \$2,000 for athletics

and \$5,000 to be spent in other programs. In February, the board approved \$29,000 for new band uniforms.

The board may approve further expenditures at its March 24 meeting when it considers bids for installing a new phone system for the school campuses.

Trustees will also consider additional days for the assistant band director during the meeting.

The board will meet in executive session 6 p.m. March 24 to discuss contract recommendations for the high school administrative assistant, nurse, librarian, counselors and teachers.

In open session, the board will consider approving the employment contracts, as well as the 2003-04 school calendar.

Trustees will also hear reports from the Facilities Committee, the Growth and Development Committee and the Policy Committee (senior trips, policy 69 and superintendent's job description).

## Aldermen to discuss operations manual

Village aldermen will meet in regular session 6:30 p.m. March 20 at the municipal building.

In unfinished business, aldermen will discuss annexes to the Emergency Operations Plan, including Annex C - Shelter; Annex H - Health & Medical; Annex J - Recovery; Annex M - Resource Management; Annex O - Human services; Annex S - Transportation; Annex T - Donations; Annex U - Legal; and Annex V - Terrorist response.

The board will also be

given its annual audit report from Patillo, Brown and Hill.

Aldermen will discuss the year-to-date financial reports with Treasurer Eldon Miller, low water crossing warning devices and a list of streets to be resurfaced this year by contract with Bell County.

Aldermen will also hear reports from the Chief of Police and Tourism Director during the meeting.

The meeting is open to the public.

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## Chamber questionnaire yields mixed bag

By CHRIS MCGREGOR  
STAFF WRITER

The Salado Chamber of Commerce executive board met in a two-hour session March 10 to discuss membership efforts, the results of the recently distributed Chamber business questionnaire, as well as the Hazard Mitigation Plan, a fledging program which will incorporate representatives from local city, police, fire, business and citizen elements. The group will function as a brainstorming body, with a purpose of establishing preparatory guidelines in the event of a disaster in Salado.

Dawn Orange, Chamber of Commerce Administrative Director, reported that six new businesses joined the Chamber since the Feb. meeting, but compared to Dec. 2002, the Chamber only counts 75 Salado businesses in its number, down from 114 at the end of the year. Individual membership is down from 89 to 60, and total membership is currently at 181, compared to 264 in December. Orange explained that the number is not as significant as it seems, and that it is typical for numbers to decline at the beginning of a year, the reason given that some members forget to pay their dues, and are thus removed from the membership list. She reported that

the website and brochure should have a positive effect in member recruitment. Additionally, Orange explained that the number of vendors for the April Wildflower Art Show is at 40, but that she is still receiving calls from interested artists and soliciting others. The 2002 Wildflower Art Show attracted 66 vendors.

Ronnie Tynes, of the Salado Business Association, also reported waning membership, citing delinquent dues as the primary cause. The SBA now consists of approximately 55-60 members, down from 80-90. Chamber president Darwin Britt suggested a committee be formed to look into a restructuring of the dues system, which was agreed to by the board.

Skip Blancett then informed the board of the feedback he received from the business survey, which was mostly constructive. Among the many and diverse suggestions given to enhance the Chamber's effectiveness, business owners listed increased and broader promotion, and more special events, while others contended that energy be spent on improving current events, not devising new ones. Also proposed was a pictorial calendar of Salado, to be

distributed free of charge, as well as urgings to find a solution to the parking problem in town.

Mayor Charlotte Douglass then spoke to the board concerning the Hazard Mitigation Plan. The plan will be a strategy to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to life, Douglass explained. She went on to say that the primary disasters Salado would potentially face are incidents such as highway spillage or natural weather occurrences, but the Village needs to prepare nonetheless. Mayor Douglass was on hand to secure assistance from the business community in manning the group, saying she believed them to be intrinsic in disaster relief efforts, and she asked that two representatives from the Chamber serve on the group, which will consist of the Mayor, Rick Ashe, Chief Rogers, Wayne Rutherford, and possibly several others, in addition to the Chamber representatives. The group will also work with neighboring communities in mapping relief strategy. "This is another great way for us to network," said Douglass. "And when we call for help, our neighbors will come."

The Chamber board meets on the second Monday of each month, 6 p.m. at the Civic Center.

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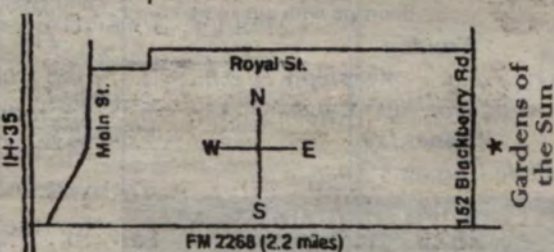
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Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

Jr. High Halftime 5:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Meal 5:30 p.m.  
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Pictured l-r are: Jennifer Marburger, Mary Lotz, Jennifer Reeves and Emmy Alvarez. They are the officers in the newly formed St. Stephens Womens Society.

## St. Stephens Women's Society meets second Monday

St. Stephen Catholic Women's Society. Officers Parish has recently organized a women's group, called the St. Stephen Mass March 16.

The founding officers will be: President, Jennifer Reeves; Vice President, Jennifer Marburger; Treasurer, Emmy Alvarez; and Secretary, Mary Lotz. Father Charles Davis is the chaplain and spiritual director.

The Society meets at the St. Stephen Parish Hall, on the second Monday of each month, with 6 p.m. fellowship and 6:30 p.m. meeting.

The mission of the St. Stephen Women's Society is "to encourage the spiritual development of one another, the parish and the community through cooperative activities, friendships and fellowships within the society. The Society's first project is to make rosaries for the missions, directed by Phyllis Johnson.

The April 14 meeting will be a program, "A Visual Journey of the Holy Land," given by Carolyn Britt. Everyone interested is invited. To RSVP, call Bobbie at 947-3901.

Ministry Chairwomen include: Anne Cowan, Altar and Sacristy Care Ministry; Joyce Dobias and Barbara Hoelscher, Bereavement and Funeral Ministry; Anne Cowan, Church Beautification; Laura Snyder, Education; Jennifer Marburger, Parish Hospitality; Mary Lotz, Parish Welcoming; Joyce Dobias and Laura Snyder, Music; Mary Catherine Ervin, Prayer Chain; and Emmy Alvarez, Parish Supply Ministry.

Committee Chairwomen include: Bobbie Reihsen, Membership; Anne Marie Harwell, Sunshine; Barbara Hoelscher, Yearbook; Bobbie Reihsen, Program Committee; Kate Garwick, Telephone; and Bobbie Reihsen, Publicity and Historian.

The Society would like to express its appreciation to Sylvia Michalewitz for her years of service, caring for the altar and sacristy.

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## Morene "Mo" Cutler, age 92, passes away at residence March 14, memorial March 20

Morene Parten Cutler, 1911-2003, passed away March 14, 2003 at her home in Salado.

Morene "Mo", as she was known to friends and family, was born July 27, 1911, to Lofie Mae and Bedford T. Parten of the Nash Community near Waxahachie. Mo was educated in the public schools of Waxahachie, and in 1927, she was elected the first Queen of Waxahachie High School. Upon graduation from the University of Texas, she pursued a career in Interior design, first as Assistant to the Director of the New York School of Interior Decorating and then as Consulting Interior Decorator for the Hilton Hotel chain where she worked across the country on the chain's extensive line of hotels. Thereafter, Mo pursued a private design practice in New York City, where her clients included dignitaries like Hattie Carnegie, R.J. Reynolds and Clare Booth Luce. During that time, she was also a frequent

radio lecturer and authored numerous magazine articles on interior design topics.

In 1954, Mo married Robert W. Cutler, a noted New York architect. She retired from active design practice and devoted her talents and energies to civic and charitable work. In New York, Mo founded the Auxiliary Chapter of the American Institute of Architects and organized the Doric Debutante Coalition to raise the scholarships for students in financial need. She also covered news for the F.W. Dodge Corporation at the annual convention of the American Institute of Architects, which Bob served as presidents. She also served as a trustee for the Central Texas Area Museum and the Ellis County Historical Museum and Art Gallery. In 1964, she founded the Texas Bluebonnet Committee, which encouraged the planting of bluebonnets, the mapping of bluebonnet trails, and sponsorship of blue-

bonnet related projects. The Committee is still active today.

In 1972, the Cutlers settled in Salado, where Mo remained active in civic and charitable affairs. She was named a Texas Goodwill by Governors Daniel, Connally, Smith and Briscoe. In 1976, she was named Salado's Bicentennial Chairman and was a founding member of the Salado Chamber of Commerce Auxiliary.

Cutler was preceded in death by her husband, Bob. She is survived by her sister, Betsy Hatchell of Tyler, nephew, Mike Hatchell and wife, Molly of Tyler, and grand nephews, David Hatchell of San Francisco, Christopher Hatchell of Charlottesville, VA, Ray Burford and John Burford of Nacogdoches, Bill Burford of Sag Harbor, NY, and Bob Burford of Richardson. Mo's last years were also enriched by the care and attention of Dora Aguinaga, Marc Aguinaga and Gilbert and Julia

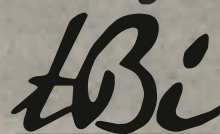


DeLeon, plus the guidance of advisors, Bill Stokes, Dr. Ramiro Pena and Jim Bowmer.

A service will be 3 p.m. March 20 at the St. Francis Episcopal Church in Temple, followed by burial in Salado Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the family home following the services.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Francis Episcopal Church/5001 Hickory Road/Temple, TX 76502, or The VistaCare Foundation/4222 E. Thomas Road, Suite 220/Phoenix, AZ 85018.

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# McKinney Walker weds Vitek

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The bride is the daughter of Jeff and Joyce McKinney of Salado. The bridegroom

is the son of Jerry and Dorothy Vitek of Belton. The Rev. Jim Abington of Austin officiated.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a beaded, princess-style dress with a matching shawl to complete the outfit.

A dinner following the

ceremony was also held at Stonecreek Settlement.

The bride, a graduate of Austin Crockett High School and Southwest Texas State University, with a degree in nutrition, is employed at Scott & White as a Licensed Dietician. The bride-

groom, a graduate of Belton High School and the University of North Texas, with a degree in social work, is employed at Farmer's Mutual, R.V.O.S. as a Claims Examiner.

After a wedding trip, the couple will reside in Temple.

# Services held for Fritzie Wolff

Fritzie Naola Wolff, 85, of Salado, died in a Temple hospital, March 15.

Funeral services were held March 18 at Heartfield Funeral home in Belton with Rev. Billy Johnson officiating. Burial was in Salado Cemetery.

Wolff was born to George and Cora Lawson

Hennessee in Dallas County on Dec. 8, 1917. She married Doyle Woodrow Wolff in Coryell County on Oct. 1, 1938. She was a resident of Bell County most of her life. Prior to her retirement, she worked as a waitress at Stagecoach Inn in Salado. She was a member of First Baptist Church in

Salado. Survivors include two daughters, Patricia Wooley of Salado and Linda Kay Roberts of Holland; one sister, Wynama Johnson; eight grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded

in death by her parents; husband, Doyle Woodrow Wolff on Oct. 23, 1981; one brother, Hughie Carberry; one son, Kenneth Wolff; and one granddaughter, Brenda Jackson.

Heartfield Funeral Home in Belton was in charge of arrangements.

# Texans should remember farmers, ranchers during National Agriculture Day March 21

Texans may have moved away from the farm, but agriculture is still a key part of the life of every Texan.

March 21, 2003 is the annual observance of National Agriculture Day, and the president of Texas' largest organization of

farm and ranch families reminds Texans of the continued importance of the state's second largest industry.

"Only two generations ago, most Texans had vivid memories of farm and ranch life or perhaps still lived in a rural area,"

said Kenneth Dierschke, president of the Texas Farm Bureau. "Today, agriculture is as important as ever, but it's in the hands of a smaller group of skilled workers."

That number, Dierschke said, includes not only farmers and ranchers, but also an agribusiness community of researchers, marketers and government employees that all participate in the modern miracle of American agriculture.

Today, Texas is one of America's most urban states, with the majority of the population centered in a handful of

major cities. Still, 20 percent of Texas' jobs are dependent on agriculture, and the ability of America to produce its own food is a key component of national security.

"Agriculture has struggled in recent years, but our productivity remains the envy of the world," Dierschke said.

Dierschke said that agriculture's challenge for the future will be to deploy new and proven technology to provide safe and affordable food while protecting the resources of soil and water for future generations.

"Farm Bureau, and the farmers and ranchers of Texas are committed to this goal," he said.

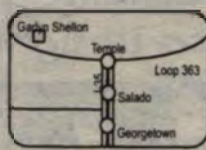
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March 20: Spring Break

March 21: Spring Break

March 24: Waffles, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk

March 25: Scrambled Eggs, Sausage Patty, Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk

#### Lunch Menu

March 19: Spring Break

March 20: Spring Break

March 21: Spring Break

March 24: Tacos, Corn, Peaches, Hoagie, Chef Salad, Baked Potato, Milk

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If you need help, there are resources available to assist you, such as a professional tax preparer or local tax assistance programs. Publications also are available from the Internal Revenue Service or your local library.

To help your tax return run smoothly, consider these tips:

- **Make sure your tax return is neat and error-free.** Check your Social Security number and your math, sign the return and include your W-2 forms.

- **Round money amounts to the nearest dollar.** It makes calculations easier.

- **Use last year's forms as a guide.** However, watch out for changes in exemption and standard deduction amounts.

- **Always file on time.** If you don't have the money to pay, you can file for an extension. When requesting an extension, you must estimate the taxes due and be prepared to pay interest on any tax not paid by April 15.

- **If you owe money, include a check payable to the United States Treasury.** Provide your Social Security number. Use Form 1040-V to help improve processing efficiency.

- **Save a copy of your tax return and other documents for your records.** Keep your records for

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If you are audited, take it seriously but don't panic. An audit is generally an impartial review of your tax return to determine its accuracy. It is not an accusation of wrongdoing. However, you must be prepared to substantiate the entries on your return with complete records. These tips can help you prepare for an audit:

- **Read the letter from the IRS carefully.** Figure out what you are being asked to do. It may be as simple as signing your return.

- **Keep good records.** The burden of proof is initially on you.

- **Educate yourself.** Know your rights as a taxpayer. Remember that you can appeal the audit if you disagree with the findings.

- **Don't rush.** Respond promptly to a notification of an audit, but don't hesitate to ask for a postponement if you need time to gather records.

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## S&W Bloodmobile comes to Salado March 25

The Scott & White Bloodmobile will be in Salado 10 a.m.-3 p.m. March 25 as part of a busy week to meet the critical need for blood at Scott & White Hospital.

"All of the blood collected by the Scott & White Blood Center is used at Scott & White Hospital," said Mindy DeSchazo, of the Blood Center. DeSchazo said that inventory at the Blood Center is

"less than 25 percent of the minimum inventory of 150 units of type O blood."

DeSchazo said that the need for blood at Scott & White has been at critical levels for some time, especially in the past two weeks. "People aren't giving," she said. "We have not had the traffic in the donor room at the Blood Center."

To attract new blood donors, the Blood Center

is reaching out to area communities with blood drives, such as the March 25 drive in Salado. Also planned for this week are drives in Gatesville (9 a.m.-3 p.m. March 26 at the Texas Department of Corrections Hilltop Unit) and Belton (9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. March 28 at Belton High School).

DeSchazo asks members of the Salado community to donate blood during

the drive at the Salado Civic Center on Main St. To donate, a person must be at least 17 years of age, in general good health and weigh at least 110 lbs. The process takes about 30-45 minutes, which includes the screening interview.

"You can donate blood every eight weeks," DeSchazo said. Regular donors are needed as the demand for blood increases.

The laws affecting who can donate blood while taking medications have changed recently. DeSchazo recommends that anyone with questions about whether they can donate blood call the Scott & White Blood Center at 724-2430 or toll-free 877-724-9181.



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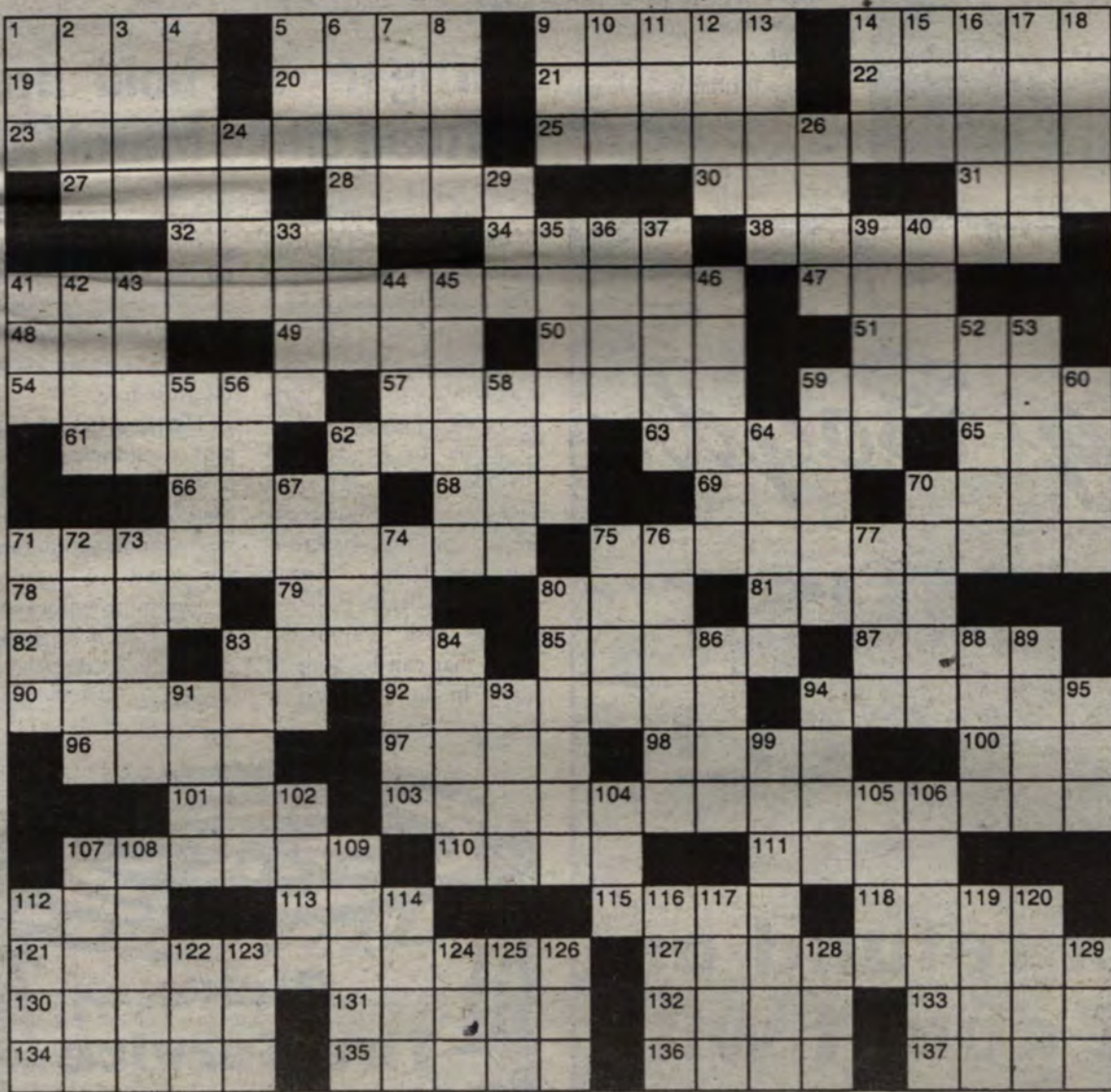
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Award and Leah Lankford-Blue Award.

Clover Kid participants were Morgan Marburger-Blue Award, and Colton Coe-Blue Award.

Representing Salado 4-H at District 8 Fashion Show in Waco, March 29, will be Stephanie Lastovica in the Jr. Buying/Dressy category, Katelyn Lankford in the Jr. Buying/Sportswear category and Leah Lankford in the Sr. Buying/Formal category.

4-H'ers participating in the Bell County 4-H Photography contest are: Braxton Tucker-1st Black and White Division-People, 2nd Black and White

Division-Nature/Scenic; Beau Benoit-3rd Color Division Nature/Scenic; Cade Benoit-2nd Color Nature/Scenic; Taylor Cockrell-3rd Color Nature/Scenic; Colton Norman-3rd Color Division Nature/Scenic; Brittany Tucker-2nd Black and White Division-People, 2nd Black and White Nature/Scenic; Clorissa Coe-3rd Black and White Division-Nature/Scenic, 3rd Color Division-People, 1st Color Division Nature/Scenic, 3rd Color Division Humor category; Jacob Meritt-3rd Black and White Division-Nature/Scenic, 1st Black and White Division Humor

Division Nature/Scenic, 2nd Color Division Humor; Kasey Cockrell-1st Creative Effects Division, 3rd Color Division Nature/Scenic category. Advancing to District 8 Photography competition will be Braxton Tucker, Clorissa Coe, Jacob Meritt and Kasey Cockrell. District contest will be held April 26th in Hillsboro.

The Bell County 4-H Photography Exhibit will be on display through the rest of March at the Colonial Mall in Temple.

The next 4-H Club meeting will be April 7, 7:00 p.m. at the Salado Intermediate School.

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The Salado Athletic Booster Club Golf Classic will be held March 30 at Mill Creek. Registration is noon and the shotgun start will begin at 1 p.m.

Proceeds from the tournament benefit all sports and a portion of the proceeds will go to senior athletes who are going on to college.

The format is 22 teams with four on a team. Play will be an 18-hole scram-

ble. The cost is \$100 per player. To sponsor a hole is also \$100. The charge is \$150 for those that would like both play, and sponsor.

Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third longest drive and closest to the pin. A special prize for

a hole-in-one is also in the works.

This will be the final Booster Club event until the annual sports banquet. For additional information, contact Jeff Cheatham at 947-0803, Jerry Smith at 947-1150 or Linda Lilly at 947-5708.

## Harrigan to hold free softball clinic March 29

Doug Harrigan, coach of the Lady Eagles softball team, will be conducting a free softball mini-clinic 9 a.m.-noon March 29 at the High School softball field. The clinic will be for girls currently in grades 4-8.

Areas to be covered include: proper throwing techniques, catching techniques, hitting, baserunning and defense. Coach Harrigan will also be introducing basic foundation drills that can be done at home in the backyard or

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## Dinner, Dance and Auction held April 25 for Education Foundation

Reservations are now being taken for the Salado Education Foundation Annual Dinner and Dance, to be held 7 p.m. April 25 at Salado's Celebration Center. Cocktails will be served at 7 p.m., and dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. The Dick Thomas Band will go on at 8:30 p.m. The silent auction will accept bids from 7-9:30 p.m.

The funds earned from the SEF's two annual parties are used for college scholarships presented to Salado High School graduates. The SEF was formed in 2000 by a group of 17 citizens. Its goal is to give every graduating Salado student the opportunity to attend a college or trade school of his or her choice.

To date, the foundation has given \$20,000 as well as establishing an endowment to perpetuate the scholarships.

Local and out of town merchants are donating items for the silent auction. If you have not been contacted to donate an item, and wish to do so, you may take your auction item to the Superintendent's office at the Civic Center, or call SEF board member Jackie Mills at 947-9205.

Ticket prices are \$50 a person or \$350 for a table of eight, and may be purchased at Century 21-Bill Bartlett or the SISD Superintendent's office. Call 947-5050 or 947-5479 for more information.



Jerry Goodman

## Studio for Acting opens April 3

Richard Dillard announces the opening of his Studio For Acting in Salado.

Dillard received his acting training in Los Angeles, Ca, studying with the great George Schdanoff's Los Angeles Theatre Company. Schdanoff was a colleague of Michael Checkhov, who trained personally with Konstantin Stanislavski in the Moscow Art Theatre in Russia for 16 years. Checkhov's famed book *To the Actor* is dedicated to George Schdanoff.

Dillard also trained with David Le Grant in studio City, CA, and in later years he was introduced to the Sanford Mesiner technique of the Neighborhood Playhouse. His exposure to these master teachers has allowed him to hone down and personalize his approach over the years and he has developed his own method.

Dillard's acting experience spans some 25 years of Stage, Screen and Television work and his acting credits include 14

feature films such as *The Rookie*, *Dazed and Confused*, *Rocket Man*, *It's in the Water*, *The Keeper*, *Pendulum*, *Slap Her, She's French*, and *Cadillac Ranch*.

He has also co-starred in such notable television mini-series as *Texas Justice* (with Heather Locklear), *Woman of Independent Means* (with Sally Field) and *True Women* (with Angelina Jolie). His television series and movie credits include *Walker: Texas Ranger*, *Hunter*, *Dallas*, *Picnic*, *PMRC*, *Rise* and

*Walk and Wild Texas Wind*.

He will be seen this year in *Foto-Novelas II's "Dangerous Sky"*, on PBS and he will appear as a lead in the theatrical release "Screen Door Jesus."

He brings his training and acting experience to his Studio for Acting in Salado, featuring acting technique and scene study.

Classes begin 7-10 p.m. April 3. For more information, call 512-619-5173.

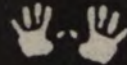
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# Regular Meetings

## Mondays

**Boy Scouts:** Each Monday, 6:30-8 p.m. at the Methodist Church.

**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:** 1-4 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Mon. in the Salado Village Artist Building.

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

**Salado 4-H Club:** 1st Mon. of every month, 7 p.m. at the Intermediate School.

**Exercise Class:** Last 8:30 a.m. Class is Aug. 12. Starting Aug. 19, class will begin at 9:30 a.m., except first Mon. of the month which will be at 10:30 a.m. at Salado Civic Center. Class is FREE to public.

## Tuesdays

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

**Salado Band Boosters:** Second Tuesday at 3:45 p.m. in the Band Hall.

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

**Yoga Classes:** 6:45 p.m., at Celebration Center in Royal Street Courtyard.

**Salado Village Artists:** 10 a.m. at Salado Art Center.

**Salado Family Relief Fund:** 2nd Tues. 1 p.m. at the Salado Civic Center.

**Chisholm Trail Chapter ABWA:** 2nd Tues. 6:30 p.m. at Stagecoach Inn.

**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.

**Salado Area Republican Women:** 3rd Thursday of month. Times vary. Call 947-8422 or 947-3617 for information.

## Wednesdays

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

**Salado Creekside Cloggers:** 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**Salado Youth Baseball Association:** meetings 7 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.

**Moms Club** walking at the High School track, 8:45 a.m. Every fourth Wednesday, monthly meeting 10:30 a.m. at SUMC. Call 947-5507.

## 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.

**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.

**Salado Education Foundation:** Regular Board meetings, 9 a.m. 2nd Thurs. at Salado Civic Center.

**Salado Neighborhood Group of the American Sewing Guild:** 3rd Thurs. of each month 5:30 p.m. at The Sewing Basket.

# What's happening here?

**MARCH 19**  
School Board applications - Last day to file them.

**MARCH 20**  
Salado Area Republican Women meeting 6:30 p.m. at the McClure Building. Pot-luck style with Dan Corbin speaking on Tort Reform. Call 947-8422 for info.

**MARCH 21**  
Mom's Club out of town excursion Cameron Park Zoo. Call 947-5507.

**MARCH 21**  
Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting at Country Treasures gift shop, 871B N. Main St., 9:30 a.m.

**MARCH 22**  
Tablerock's 2nd Annual Invitational Music Festival. 4-10 p.m. \$3 for adults and \$1 for children.

**MARCH 23**  
Institute for the Humanities lecture/discussion on Mindfulness by Dr. Saki Santorelli 4-6 p.m. at the Civic Center. Call 947-5729.

**MARCH 27**  
Bowl Making at Mud Pies Pottery for the Empty Bowl project. FREE ADMISSION. 5:30 p.m.-?. Call 947-0281 to sign up.

**MARCH 27**  
Bell County 4-H roundup at SHS, 5:30 p.m.

**APRIL 5**  
Institute for the Humanities seminar on Broadway Musical by theater critic Don Shewey 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at The Range. Call 947-5729. **April 6** lecture/discussion on "From the Post Office to the Box Office" by Roger Horchow 4-6 p.m. at the Civic Center.

**APRIL 5-6**  
Wildflower Art Show at the Civic Center. Free parking and admission. Food and beverages available. Call 947-5040 for information.

**APRIL 6**  
Project Graduation Fish Fry and Auction 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the SIS cafeteria. Call 947-0595 for more information.

**APRIL 12**  
Tablerock's 8th Annual Gospel Festival 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. \$5 adults and \$3 children under 12.

**APRIL 18 - 20**  
Easter Pageant at Tablerock presented by First Baptist Church of Salado. 8:15 p.m.

**April 18-21**

No School - SISD

**APRIL 19**  
Alumni baseball game make-up date, 1 p.m. at the High School field.

**APRIL 20**  
Annual Sunrise Service 7 a.m. at Pace Park.

**APRIL 25**  
Salado Education Foundation Spring Dinner Dance, 7 p.m. Salado Springs Celebration Center. Call 947-5050 or 947-947-5479 for info.

**APRIL 26**  
Institute for the

Humanities seminar on Baseball, the Perfect Metaphor for Life, by baseball historian Talmage Boston 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at The Range. **April 27** Lecture/discussion on Baseball, the American Game, by former Yankee Bobby Brown 4-6 p.m. Civic Center. Call 947-5729.

**MAY 3**  
School Board Election Day

**MAY 10**  
4th grade play TAE students. 7:30 p.m. \$5 adults, \$3 children.

**MAY 15**  
Annual SISD Band Concert & Awards. 6-8 p.m. at Tablerock. Public welcome, no admission, concession stand open.

**MAY 26**  
Annual Memorial Day Service, 9:30 a.m. at the Salado Cemetery.

**MAY 28-29**  
School out at noon.

**MAY 30**  
Last day of school

**JUNE 1**  
6th Annual Harry Wilmer Memorial free public lecture, The Poetry of Listening, by poet and teacher Naomi Shihab Nye at the Civic Center. Presented by the Institute for the Humanities. Call 947-5729.

**JUNE 4-7**  
5th Annual Judy & A.C. Greene Literary Festival featuring Fran Vick and an original show by Jane Roberts Wood. See www.irtsalado.com for more information.

**JUNE 21-22**  
A Midsummer Night's Dream Auditions 2:30 p.m. at Tablerock's backstage room.


**JULY 19, 26, AUG. 2**  
Salado Legends at Tablerock Amphitheater. Dinner at 7:15 p.m., \$8 adult or child. Theater at 8:15 p.m., \$15 adult and \$5 child.

**AUGUST 2**  
Book Fair at Stagecoach Convention Center 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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# Girls impressive in Rogers Relays

Following are the girls results from the Rogers Relays held March 8.

**Varsity:** Elizabeth Dunlap, shot put, 4th, 30'7"; Klaasje Day, discus, 2nd, 95'5.5"; Staci York, long jump, 2nd, 15'7.5"; triple jump, 5th, 31'6"; Michelle Houston, long jump, 3rd, 15'4.75"; triple jump, 1st, 32'4"; Lauren Hogwood, high jump, 1st, 5'1";

Brinn Newman, pole vault, 1st, 8'6"; Jenny Ewton, pole vault, 2nd (tie),

8'; Johnna Konzen, pole vault, 2nd (tie), 8';

Lauren Mewhinney, 3200m, 1st, 11:58.43; Rachel Hargrove, 3200m, 2nd, 13:15.6; Ewton, 3200m, 3rd, 14:36.77; 400m relay, Salado, 1st, 53.47; Laramie Wilson, 800m, 1st, 2:36.56; Konzen, 100m hurdle, 5th, 17.77; Houston, 100m hurdle, 6th, 17.78; Micah Malone, 100m dash, 5th, 13.69;

Brittani Goodnight, 400m, 1st, 62.38; Houston,

300m hurdle, 3rd, 51.98; Hogwood, 300m hurdle, 4th, 53.15; Valerie Clark, 200m, 1st, 27.74;

Mewhinney, 1600m, 1st, 5:24.82; Wilson, 1600m, 2nd, 6:00.43; Ewton, 1600m, 4th, 6:23.99; 1600m relay, Salado, 1st, 4:20.34.

**JV girls:** LauraLee Young, shot put, 5th (tie), 26'7"; Nicole Weatherly, discus, 5th, 73'0.5"; Goodrum, discus, 4th, 74'; Brit-tany Dixon, long jump, 6th, 12'3.5"; Leann Ingalsbe,

high jump, 1st, 4'6"; pole vault, 2nd, 6'; Perez, 3200m, 1st, 14:28.91; Quick, 3200m, 2nd, 15:10.92; 800m, 5th, 3:00.79; Katherine Hold-ampf, 800m, 6th, 3:03.27; Ingalsbe, 100m hurdle, 4th, 19.18; Dixon, 400m dash, 1st, 71.44; Ingalsbe, 300m hurdle, 4th, 58.22; Dixon, 200m, 3rd, 30.56; Holdampf, 1600m, 2nd, 6:42.86; Perez, 1600m, 3rd, 6:44.20; 1600m relay, Salado, 1st, 4:51.34.

# Boys tracksters place well despite small numbers

The Varsity and JV boys track teams both competed in the Rogers Relays March 8, and both placed 5th over-all.

**Varsity results:** Brad Ray, pole vault, 6th (tie), 11'; 400m relay, Salado, 6th, 46.84; Nick Everett, 800m, 1st, 2:06.89; Kris Stineman, 800m, 6th,

2:18.10; Matt Brown, 100m hurdle, 6th, 17:13; 800m relay, Salado, 1st, 1:34.06;

Devon Dunn, 400m, 1st, 52.72; Jesse Rodriguez, 400m, 6th, 56.57; Sean Rex, 300m hurdle, 6th, 46.4; Chance Coe, 200m, 6th, 23.51; Everett, 1600m, 1st, 4:43.59; 1600m relay, 1st,

3:36.77.

**JV results:** Andrew Ming, shot put, 6th, 36'10.5"; discus, 4th, 96'6"; D.J. Hampton, pole vault, 1st, 10'; Cox, pole vault, 2nd (tie), 9'6"; Brian Fetterman, pole vault, 2nd (tie), 9'6"; Hampton, 3200m, 3rd, 12:06.66;

Weldon Easley, 3200m, 6th, 12:48.88; 400m relay, Salado, 6th, 49:10; Joseph Califano, 800m, 6th, 2:28:21; Fetterman, 100m hurdle, 5th, 18.63; 800m relay, Salado, 3rd, 1:44.38; Ming, 100m, 4th, 12.07; Rogers, 400m, 6th, 59.88.

# Texas Western Swing March 22

The Annual Texas Western Swing Fiddling Showcase will be held noon-midnight, March 22 at the Bell County Expo Center. Doors open at 11 a.m. and dinner, by reservation only, will be served at 5:30 p.m. The dance will follow from 8 p.m.-midnight.

"The purpose for the event is to promote 'Texas born' music and assemble extremely talented musicians on stage. There will be Grammy Award winners, Hall of Fame musicians, world champion fiddlers and recording artists performing," said Nan Ray,

chairman of the event. One of the featured performers will be Randy Elmore, of Cleburne. Elmore is a world champion fiddler and a Hall of Fame inductee, and will take the stage with the Boys in the Band.

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# Military analyst Gauer gives Lions low-down on military cut-backs

By CHRIS MCGREGOR  
STAFF WRITER

A career soldier, Ret. Col. Ralph Gauer knows a little bit about the military. His 30 years of service (two tours in Vietnam, one in Korea) have lent him a bit of insight into armed service affairs, and his civilian transition to military analyst was a natural one. Gauer, who now serves as an appointee of Gov. Perry on the Texas Strategic Planning Commission, spoke to the Salado Lions March 12 at Mill Creek about the uncertain future of American military installations, particularly Ft. Hood and other Texas bases.

"Every branch of service, every base is going to be subject to drastic change," he said. "They're going to look vastly different in three-to-seven years." The reason: Gauer explained the current military inventory is going to be cut by 25 percent in the next few years, the biggest industry reduction in 15 years.

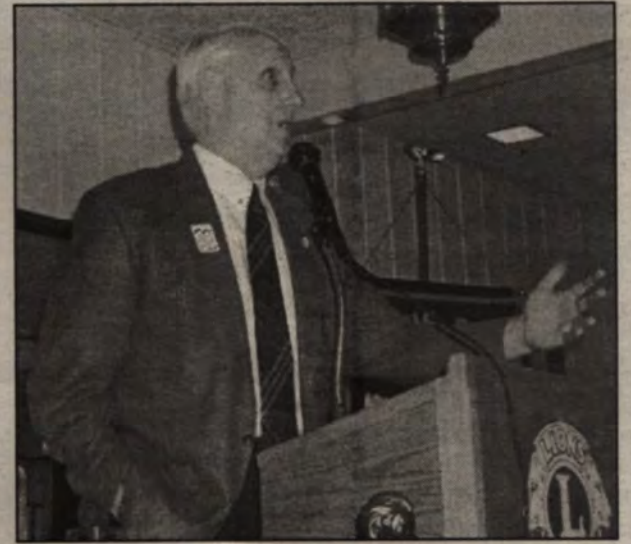
The job to remove excess overhead is being undertaken by the office of

the Secretary of Defense, headed by Don Rumsfeld. Saying that the people now pulling the military strings are not only different in background compared to the past, but also in the way they implement strategies in regards to military spending. "These are totally data-oriented people," said Gauer. "Guys like us, that served in the old days, wouldn't recognize the way things are run now."

Transformation is the name Rumsfeld has given to his strategy of trimming the proverbial fat: meaning he wants to apply the best available science to all aspects of the military, thereby reducing the need for a large standing army. "It's what he calls the generational leap-forward," said Gauer.

Any sort of talk concerning military cutbacks inevitably leads to concerns about base closures, and Central Texas, where the boom of soldiers training at Fort Hood shakes our windows, has a lot to lose if bases start downsizing.

In the past, each branch of service determined its own closure plans, but that is no more. "All those



Ret. Col. Ralph Gauer. (PHOTO BY CHRIS MCGREGOR)

things are being done by the office of the Secretary of Defense," explained Gauer. And in this day and age, he continued, if a base cannot demonstrate viability and the potential to expand, then they will be a target for closure.

"How will Texas be in a position to not only survive, but to grow," Gauer asked. He answered his question by saying Texas is in a unique position, with bases from Corpus Christi all the way to El Paso, and because of that, along with the wide open air-space Texas skies afford,

we offer something other states cannot. "We can demonstrate that ability in Texas, that we are unlike any other place in North America. The amount of space we have is a huge advantage, and Texas is ideally suited for joint military training," said Gauer.

"We have in Texas," he continued, "a cooperative, understanding citizenry, and we have the Gulf. If we can't demonstrate all these things, we will lose bases in Texas. When it comes down to it, somebody has to lose, but it doesn't have to be us."

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# Hall of Fame or Hall of Shame: Pete Rose versus baseball

By CHRIS MCGREGOR  
STAFF WRITER

There's quite a ruckus being fomented in professional baseball right now, and opening day's still weeks away. So what, you ask, is the cause of this commotion? It shouldn't surprise those familiar with the game to hear the Titanic that is Pete Rose is on another collision course with the iceberg that is the baseball establishment, only this time, the convergence of the twain might be cushioned a bit.

You might recall that back in '89 Rose was banned from baseball by then commissioner Bart Giamatti for signing a document, which, held under a legal light, amounts to a no-contest concession that Rose bet on professional baseball, even on teams for which he played. That's as good as damnation in a sport that, in the past, has been rocked to its core by gambling scandals. Ever since Giamatti's death, eight days after Rose was banished, the baseball star has desperately tried to claw his way back in, chiefly by refuting his earlier admission of guilt. He's now in complete denial.

A true fan of himself, "Charlie Hustle" seems to want nothing more than to be immortalized in bronze in the halls of Cooperstown. The only way he can get there is to get reinstated, and the only one that can reinstate him is current commissioner Bud Selig, the dour-faced owner of the perennially bad Milwaukee Brewers. In the most genial of times, the two have a chancy relationship. In the worst, it's like World War III. "There are strong feelings on both sides," Selig has said.

If Rose wants in, says

Bud, Pete has to admit publicly that he's guilty. Selig contends that he'll then consider reinstatement. So far, Rose has been reluctant to do that, but his most recent application for reinstatement is receiving favorable consideration. For better or for worse, if Rose is allowed back in, it will cause one heck of a sensation in baseball.

On the field, there can be little debate: Rose was one of the all-time greats. No question. Off the field, the reality is more stark: Rose was and is perhaps the game's most complete horse's rear.

His career statistics unfold like a finely-embroidered rug. Rose's 4,256 hits in 24 major league seasons loom atop the record books, and his laundry list of accomplishments only starts there. Here's some more: he is first all-time in games played, first in at-bats, first in times on base, and is second all-time in doubles and fifth all time in runs scored. His lifetime batting average is .303.

He won three batting titles, and was Rookie of the Year, in addition to being a 17-time all-star. He was a leader on three World Series championship teams, six League Championship teams, and is a member of the hallowed All-Century team. Rose finished in the top 10 in MVP voting a remarkable 10 times, had 18 seasons with 150-plus hits, and 10 seasons with at least 200 hits.

He is the only player in modern history to ever record five full seasons of play in five different positions: 1B, 2B, 3B, and two outfield slots, and he won gold gloves in '69 and '70.

In '73 he was the National League MVP. In '75, the World Series MVP.

Not to mention the fact that he squeezed out 1,000 hits after the age of 38, mostly, towards the end, on a body that had the grace of a tranquilized elephant lumbering around the bases.

Oh yeah, he also won 426 games managing talent-scarce teams before his banishment, and once hit safely in 44 consecutive contests, the most by any NL player in over 100 years.

His longevity, versatility, talent and durability are nothing short of legendary.

His personal statistics, however, unfold like a manager's crumpled scorecard in the loser's dugout.

Rose the self-promoter will not shake a hand, sign a baseball, kiss a baby or part the Red Sea unless he is paid handsomely. His going rate is around a hundred for an autograph. He is believed to have an addiction to gambling and bad decision-making. It was recently brought to light that he owes Uncle Sam \$150,000 in back taxes, and the powers-that-be have their hands on what is basically incontrovertible proof of Rose's gambling guilt, in the form of bookie slips, endorsed checks and eyewitness testimony. Even though his prospects for reinstatement are looking good, Rose has been seen out and about in Vegas, betting up a storm. He never was good at playing Mr. Low-Key.

His most odious statistic though, is this: Rose is on the line for violating Major League Baseball Rule 21, the one that says you can't wager on the sport (a.k.a., the 11th commandment), a whopping 412 times, in the first half of the 1987 season

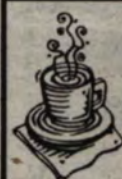
alone.

But the Hall of Fame, in truth, has never let dubious character bar a man from entry. There are some very worthy inductees, to be sure; Christy Matthewson, Roberto Clemente, Ozzie Smith, to name a few.

But there are some others that would have a hard time passing muster at the pearly gates. Take Ty Cobb, a man whose ferocity bordered on psychosis, or Cap Anson, as irascible a racist as ever lived. Even the beloved Babe Ruth was a womanizing booze-hound. But they're all in, as are several known gamblers. So what's the precedent?

Pete Rose bet on baseball, a federal mafia investigator named John Dowd proved that long ago. His moves have been tracked since 1989, and although he still gambles freely, he has not been documented making baseball wagers. If he is reinstated, as it looks he will be, it will probably come no earlier than June, after which he'll likely serve an 18-month probationary period. Then he's Cooperstown material, and rumor has it he'll be a first-ballot selection.

Pete Rose is not going to change his ways, baseball will have to adjust itself to him. And if they do, the precedent set will carry long into the future. One just hopes baseball is prepared for the fall-out.



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The Court Appointed Special Advocates of Bell County will have their annual "CASA's for Kids Playhouse Raffle" at the Temple Mall. Tickets will

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The purpose of the event, hosted by CASA of Bell County, is to raise money to train volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children in Bell County and to raise the awareness of the issue of child abuse. Each year many children are abused and neglected. They get caught up in the courts and become lost in an overburdened system. The CASA volunteer is that one stable person in a child's life, that advocates for the "best interest" of best child in court. "There is a great

need for donations and volunteers, especially in these times with overwhelming state budget cuts, the war on terrorism and the deployment of our family members and friends," said CASA director Rosa Black.

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# Inventor of the chill factor

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Charles Passel of Abilene was a graduate student at Miami University in Ohio when he signed on to go to the south Pole with Admiral Byrd in 1939. He stayed there two years. During that time, experiments were conducted to develop what we now call the chill factor.

Results were released in 1945 and the Air Force in Alaska started using chill factor readings immediately. But it wasn't until about fifteen years ago that the term became fairly common and tv weathermen started using it.

To get to Antarctica, you go to New Zealand and head south for 2500 miles. "When we got there, I had on so many clothes I could hardly walk," says Charles.

Temperatures in the summer get down to ten below zero. In the winter they sometimes drop to 70 below.

"You get used to it," says Charles.

They lived in tents initially, then put up prefabricated buildings and buckled them down with heavy straps. The wind is

constantly blowing up to 100 miles an hour.

No bugs live there and there's no disease. There are penguins, whales, seals and seagulls. The whales are killers. They get close to land and hammer off a chunk of ice that's close to the water. If anything is on that chunk of ice, the whales eat it.

The 33 members of the expedition were careful when they stood close to the water.

Charles kept a diary of his experiences in the ice and cold. Hardin Simmons University published a book on his adventures.

Passel was a radio operator, dog driver and geologist on the expedition. Its main mission was to look for minerals, map the coast line, go into unexplored areas and claim the land for the US.

Charles thinks about half of Antarctica is still unmapped. Antarctica covers one-tenth the land surface of the earth. The expedition was based at Little America, a big piece of ice 1,000 feet deep about the size of France.

They got around on skis and dog sleds. Charles worked with

Dr. Paul Siple on developing what was first called "The measurement of dry atmospheric cooling in sub freezing temperatures." It became known as "the chill factor" or "the wind chill index."

Charles calls it "putting in a number how cold you feel." Actually it deals with how fast you lose body heat as a result of wind. If the temperature is in the teens and the wind is blowing at 20 mph, it feels like it's 20 below.

Some fascinating experiments were conducted to come up with the formula for the chill factor. Passel and Siple would stand outside and count the minutes before their face froze. "At the moment of freezing, it feels like someone slaps you," says Charles. "Then we headed inside to thaw out."

The record time it took his face to freeze was 75 seconds, when the wind blew at 16 mph in a temper-

ature of 26 degrees below zero. That made the wind chill 80 below.

They would also put water in a cylinder, place it outside and note the differences in how long it took to freeze where there was wind and when there was no wind.

Passel said he had forgotten about the experiments until years later when he was listening to a Chicago radio station and heard his name mentioned as one of the inventors of the chill factor.

He got paid \$50 a month while in the Antarctic. That was his only pay for his experiments. He did get a congressional medal of honor when he returned to the US.

A few months after he was back, Charles enrolled in Indiana University to work on a Master's Degree. He had an office and kept the windows wide open in the winter. He couldn't stand the heat.

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

## Fried Green Tomatoes

**Cookbook Committee**

3 T. bacon fat      2 beaten eggs  
4 firm, green tomatoes, sliced  
Dry bread crumbs      Flour  
Milk      Salt & Pepper

Heat bacon fat in heavy frying pan (iron skillet is best). Dip tomatoes in beaten eggs, then in bread crumbs. Slowly fry them in the bacon fat until golden on each side. Put tomatoes on a plate while you make gravy. For each tablespoon of fat left in the pan, stir in 1 tablespoon flour and blend well; then stir in 1 cup of warm milk; cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Add salt and pepper to taste. Pour over tomatoes and served immediately.

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The Salado High School One Act Play "Dancing at Lughnasa" recently completed two appearances at local theatre festivals in Killeen and Belton in preparation for the District UIL contest at the Temple Cultural Activity Center 2 p.m. March 27. "The festivals were a great learning experience for both the cast and crew as they became familiar with the University Interscholastic League judging process and the pressure of a public performance," said faculty director Gary Askins.

"I'm really proud of them for the work they have accomplished this year. We participated with primarily larger schools and at each festival the judges stated we were doing superior work."

"The quality of acting performances was in every case deemed exceptional. These students are helping create some magic on

stage. The technical quality of this play is as good as it gets and that's because of our outstanding crew lead by student director Sara Culver. Sara is a senior and has shown a great ability to not only get the job done but to constantly search for ways to improve. She handpicked her crew this year and her "choices of Tiffany Young as the stage manager and Rome Urquiza as sound technician were inspired."

Brian Friel wrote the award winning play "Dancing at Lughnasa" about a family in rural Ballybeg, Ireland. The play covers a few weeks during one memorable summer in 1936 and its effect on the lives of the Munday Family.

This family of five unmarried sisters who will be forever changed by the sudden return, from an African mission, of their eldest brother Father Jack

Munday played with manic intensity by John Schoellmann.

Tim Hodgkin portrays the footloose Gerry Evans another summer visitor to the household with light-hearted grace and style.

Erin Lummus is the definitive matriarch in her starring role as Kate. She brings Kate Munday to life as we share her pain and worry about the imminent collapse of her family's fortunes.

"Ashley Lummus gives her best performance each time we perform as she plays the stoic Agnes the loving caretaker of her sisters."

Jenny Ewton brings her natural sense of humor and comedic timing to her portrayal of the lighthearted Maggie Munday.

Lauralee Young delicately characterizes the pivotal role of Christina, the unwed mother.

The "special" sister

Rose is perhaps one of the most challenging parts in the production and Paige Herrick more than meets that challenge. Young Michael Munday, the narrator of the story, is played by Garrett Askins with a commanding stage presence and compelling vocalizations that belie his freshman status.

The crew has been expertly staffed this year with Rebekah Quick, Douglas Mackie, Clayton Cook, and Angela Hogwood supervising props, sets, make-up and everything else needed to create the magic of this theatre moment. After the District 26AA competition the drama students will present a public performance of this play at 7 p.m. April 5 on the Salado Intermediate School stage.

Admission will be free but contributions to the Drama Club will be accepted.

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Columnist and radio host Tumbleweed Smith visited Salado March 14 to sign his new book *Under the Chinaberry Tree* at the Salado Village Voice newspaper office. He is shown with newspaper editor and friend Tim Fleischer.

(PHOTO BY MARILYN FLEISCHER)

### Fish fry to raise funds for Project Graduation

The Salado High School Senior Class of 2003 will receive their diplomas on May 29. The parents of these seniors have been working for months to organize a drug and alcohol free celebration.

First established in 1993, Project Graduation, in its first year, reduced the number of drug and alcohol-related accidents and death by 60 percent and

continues to do so each year. Salado seniors will gather at the Wilson Youth Center in Temple 11 p.m. May 29 - 5 a.m. May 30.

Because of the cost entailed in funding this event, the Project Graduation Committee is holding a Fish Fry and Auction 11 a.m. April 6 at the Salado Intermediate School cafeteria. The live auction will begin at 1 p.m. Heller Land-

scape Company, locally owned has supplied annual bedding plants for sale at great prices that will be available during the event. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children.

The Project Graduation Committee is also accepting cash donations. These may be mailed to: Project Graduation Committee, P.O. Box 457, Salado, TX 76571.

### Math, science squads compete in state meet

On March 15, Salado High School sent 17 students to compete in the Texas Math and Science Coaches Association State Meet at the University of Texas at San Antonio. Results are as follows:

**Number Sense**, 9th grade division: Wes Dowell, 5th; Kathryn Holdampf, 7th; Mark Wilson, 18th. 10th grade division: Matt Caskey, 1st; Joseph Shumate, 8th; Stephanie Kinsey, 13th; Jenny Goode, 15th. 12th grade division: Devon Rex, 1st. Number sense team: Rex, Caskey, Dowell, Holdampf, 1st.

**Calculator**, 9th grade

division: Colby Cox, 3rd; Kate Marshall, 9th; Michael Spinks, 31st. 10th grade division: Rebekah Quick, 3rd; Devon Dunn, 9th. 11th grade division: Matt Brown, 1st; Brinn Newman, 2nd. 12th grade division: Evan Clements, 8th. Calculator team: Brown, Newman, Clements, Cox, 2nd.

**Mathematics**, 9th grade division: Mark Wilson, 11th; Colby Cox, 15th; Michael Spinks, 16th; Wes Dowell, 23rd; Kathryn Holdampf, 33rd; Kate Marshall, 35th. 10th grade division: Jenny Goode, 5th; Joseph Shumate, 8th. 11th grade division: Matt

Brown, 3rd; Brinn Newman, 17th. 12th grade division: Devon Rex, 8th; Evan Clements, 23rd. Mathematics team: Rex, Brown, Clements, Goode, 5th.

**Science**, 10th grade division: Savannah Slagel, 14th (tie); Rebekah Quick, 14th (tie); Stephanie Kinsey, 23rd; Joseph Shumate, 33rd. 11th grade division: Matt Brown, 8th. Team: Brown, Slagel, Quick, Kinsey, 14th.

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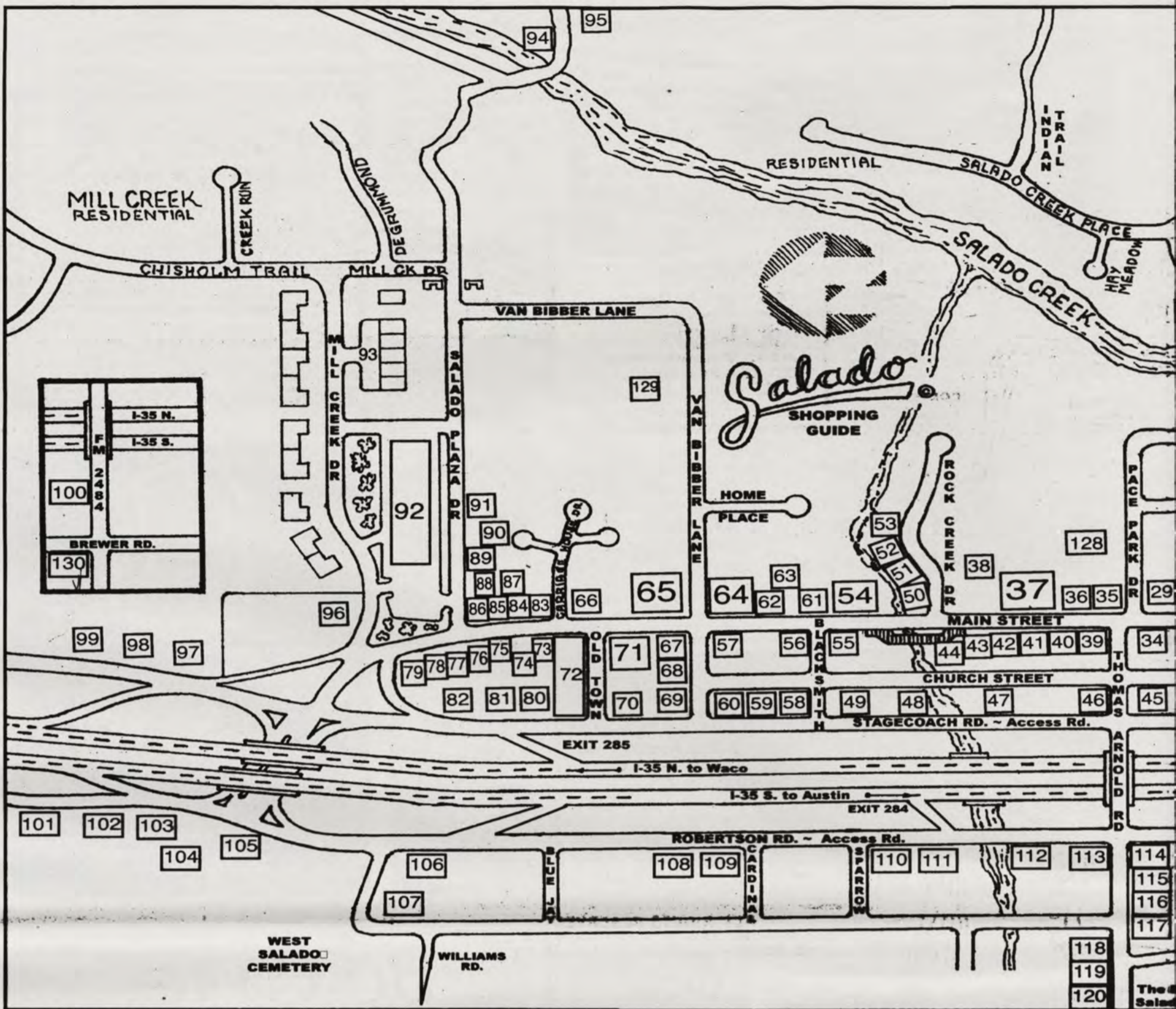
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# McCall to play Bo's Barn

Country music singer and songwriter Darrell McCall will appear live in concert at Bo's Barn in Salado, 9 p.m. March 22.

McCall, known as a true-to-his-roots country performer, began in the music business at age 15, when he deejayed a country radio show in Hillsboro, Ohio. He then moved to Nashville in 1958 with his boyhood friend, Johnny Paycheck. After performing briefly as a duo, McCall left Paycheck to make his way as a harmony singer, sitting in on sessions for George Jones, Faron Young and Ray Price, among others.

McCall released his debut album, "Meet Darrell McCall," in 1968, and in the 70s penned several chart-topping hits, such as the Hank Williams, Jr. number one, "Eleven Roses."

In the 80s and 90s McCall continued to write and record with performers like Johnny Bush, and in

1992, along with manager Sam Bardin, founded his own record company, Artap Records. In 1996 Bear Family records released a 143-song CD collection of McCall's work, from 1960-80, entitled "The Real McCall." The album has been described as a "must have" for any fan of true country music.

Currently, McCall continues to tour around the country, playing dance halls and honky tonks, and also looks after his six-acre horse farm that he owns, along with wife Mona, 40 miles west of Nashville.

McCall is a member of the Texas Country Music Hall of Fame, the Texas Swing Hall of Fame, and was presented with the Living Legend Award in Fort Worth in 1997.

Tickets for the concert are \$12 advance, or \$15 at the door. Visit [www.bosbarn.com](http://www.bosbarn.com) or call 254-947-8112 for more information.



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The Crossroads to Texas Quilt Guild welcomes anyone that loves to sew or quilt to join them for Lynette Crawford's Trunk Show, Part III, 7 p.m. March 25 at the First United Methodist Church in Killeen.

The Reversible Binding Spotlight on Quilting has been postponed due to the past inclement weather.

Meetings are open to all experiences and ages, and are held on the second and fourth Mondays of every month, at the First United Methodist Church in Killeen.

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Working with reputable mortgage, real estate and title insurance professionals can help simplify the process. These tips can make closing on a home as easy as possible:

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# Study your homeowners policies

Attorney General John Cornyn is urging Texans to study their homeowners insurance policies upon renewal because they may be changing markedly. Also, these policies can vary dramatically from company to company.

For example, the comprehensive HO-B homeowners policy that most Texans have had for years has been revised. By Jan. 1, 2003, this policy must be available in Texas. The revised HO-B policy no longer covers mold remediation beyond what is necessary to repair or replace the property damaged. This new policy only covers mold when it results from sudden and accidental discharges, leaks or overflow of water. Mold caused by hidden and undetected water damage is covered if reported within 30 days of detection.

Under the revised HO-B policy, however, insurance companies must offer policyholders the opportunity to purchase full mold remediation coverage, at added cost, in amounts of 25 percent, 50 percent and 100 percent of their policy limits.

"Of even greater impact to consumers, however, is the fact that some large insurers are already replacing their comprehensive HO-B policies with more restrictive HO-A policies," Cornyn said. "The basic HO-A policy excludes virtually all water and mold damage coverage unless the homeowner adds new endorsements, which also adds to the cost."

Cornyn advised Texans to study their homeowner renewal policies and take the time necessary to understand any changes, including any new endorsements. Cornyn also suggested that consumers questions their insurance agent, in writing if possible, about any changes to their policy.

Homeowners can learn more by visiting the Texas Department of Insurance website at [www.tdi.state.tx.us](http://www.tdi.state.tx.us), or by obtaining the free brochure, "Homeowners Insurance: A Guide for Texas Consumers" from TDI's publication order line at 800/599-SHOP (7467).

Consumers can often reduce their premiums by calling competing insurance companies, Cornyn said. However, homeowners should retain their current policies until they have signed on with another company so they can ensure continued coverage. If you suspect any insurance company or agent is engaged in a deceptive

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by Samantha Mazzotta

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to the home-improvement store and pick up some concrete caulk (bonding adhesive), sand-mix concrete (rather than quick-setting cement) and a concrete fortifier (a mix of sand and/or gravel). Collect a couple buckets of sand, too.

Clean the crack with the wire brush (or drill), removing all debris. Then, chisel open the crack, creating a backward-angled cut that is wider at the bottom than up on the surface. This way, the patching compound won't push

up out of the crack. When you finish, clean the area one more time to remove debris.

Use the paintbrush to apply a thin layer of bonding adhesive inside the crack. Try to put adhesive on every area possible to ensure a good bond. Let the adhesive dry for the time stated in the instructions.

Fill the crack with sand up to about a half-inch below the surface. Then, mix the concrete with fortifier to the right consistency and trowel the mixture

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What about smaller cracks, those less than one-half inch wide? Instead of using sand-mix concrete, which takes time to mix to the right consistency, purchase vinyl-reinforced patching compound. After prepping the crack (including an application of bonding adhesive), trowel the compound into the crack and feather it even with the surface. This type of compound also works well when patching vertical surfaces, like walls or steps. Just apply the compound in layers and feather smooth with the old surface.

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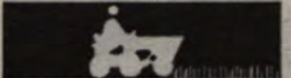
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A man without ambition is dead.

—Pearl Bailey

## Home Improvement



**STONEMASON -** Master stonemason. All types stone, brick, or block work. Repair/new const. Houses, fireplaces, patios, pools, sidewalks, mailboxes, etc. David Ward 512-446-0439. tfnb

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## Employment



**Susan Marie's of Salado Ladies Boutique** Positions available beginning March 1st Monday & Tuesday 10:30 a.m.- 5/45 pm. Must be able to laugh, Smile and have a great time. 201 N. Main in Salado call 947-5239

**Attention: Immediate openings.** International company needs help. Work from home. PT/FT. Full training. Bonuses, vacations. Free info www.yourlifeishere.com 888-574-2236 3/19 p

## For Sale



Antiques, Collectibles, etc. (entire lot) 2 antique desks, antique drop-leaf table, antique vanity, old oak table with 4 chairs, old hats, handbags, antique, old and collectible jewelry, antique, old & misc. glassware, knicknacks and much misc. All \$2,500 Call 913-1899 or 913-8459 Never used 24 inch electric Black & Decker, lawn mower with bag \$250. 3/19f

### Garage & Yard Sales



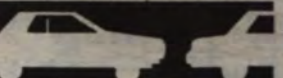
**Garage Sale Saturday,** March 22 8-4 p.m. 513 San Jose Road Salado. 3/19p

**Big Sale March 22- 8 a.m.-5 p.m.** 2000 Indian Trail. computer set complete including desk. Lots of small electronic items, tools, small kitchen appliances, 4 work benches, camera, small refrigerator, camp ice boxes, one electric, many many more. Too much to list. Se Ya there! 3/19b

**Multi-family garage sale Sat. 7-2 pm.** 908 Salado Oaks 1/2 mile east for 1 35 off mile marker 283 (Holland Road) 3/19p

Complain to one who can help you. —Yugoslav proverb

## Automobiles



**1992 Volvo 940GL** Gold with tan leather interior, one owner. Dealer maintained. Books and records. 947-4213 3/26b  
**RV-1993 34 ft. Winnebago Itasca** Sun-cruiser, sleeps 6, 5000w generator, excellent condition, only 39K miles 947-8601 or 289-1549 4/9p

### Storage



**Storage space in Salado** 8X12, 16X24 and up. Some have drive-in doors. **Salado Storage** 947-5575 tfnb

## Housekeeping



**Moving? Don't worry call Gidley's Cleaning** before you move in or after you move out. 947-5579. tfn

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Expect victory and you make victory. —Preston Bradley

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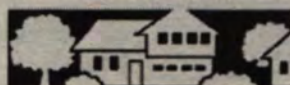
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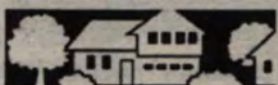
## Homes For Sale



This 3BR 2BA, 3 year old custom home has a large open floorplan with lots of windows & light. Formal dining room & breakfast nook. Raised ceiling in spacious living room with crown molding & corner fireplace. The master BR is inviting with raised pan ceiling and a wall of windows. Generous Master BA with separate shower and tub. Landscaped yard is .68 acres. \$166,000 Call Century 21 - Bill Bartlett 254-947-5050 tfn

**Lovely Colonial style home on 57 acres**, surrounded by huge live oaks. Overlooking the countryside 2 miles from Salado. 3 BR 2 full baths, 2 half baths. Separate 900 SF home 1 BR, bath, living room. Barn, storage, game room building. \$599,000

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C-21 Bill Bartlett 254-947-5050

**By Owner 3 BR Split-plan 2 BA**, 1,812 sq. ft. living area on 1.25 acres 5 years old Located in Salado Oaks. Call 254-770-7938 or 254-947-0055 tfnb

**A new home in Mill Creek Springs**, near the golf course! The easy flow of this floor plan can suit many needs. Your computer will have its own home in the office. Fine architectural design, dependable engineered foundation, custom upgrades \$189,800 C-21 Bill Bartlett 947-5050 tfn

**Bartlett - Historic 3/2** with 2 living areas, upstairs bonus room, Huge formal dining, 2 fireplaces, wood floors plus more! Large lot, magnificent trees. L-O-W

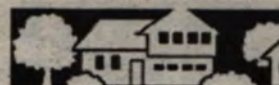
## Homes For Sale



taxes! Possible 100 percent financing. Minutes to Salado, Temple and Georgetown, \$99,000 Lois Coleman, Crystal Falls Realty 1-877-737-LOIS toll free or 512-260-2066 www.loiscoleman.com 3/19b

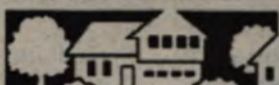
**Holland- Custom built** in 2000 approx. 3000 sq. ft. 3/2.5 Tall ceilings, gourmet kitchen, beautiful home for family and entertaining! 2 car garage w/workshop, circular drive, lovely trees and privacy! 10+ acres w/stocked spring-fed pond, live creek and ag exempt! 10 additional acres available. #349,000. Minutes to Salado, Temple, Georgetown. Call Lois Coleman, Crystal Falls Realty 1-877-737-LOIS toll free or 512-260-2066

## Homes For Sale



www.loiscoleman.com 3/19b **Charming Mill Creek Drive Townhome**. See picture ad. \$86,995 254-338-5083 tfnb

## Rent or Lease



**Gorgeous custom built duplex** at 1200 Chisholm Trail, Salado. 1,785 +/- sq. ft., 3/2/2, full brick exterior. Sprinkle system, lawn maintenance provided, fenced yard, two car garage with opener. More interior amenities than can be mentioned! Rent is \$1,250 per month. Call John Reider Properties, LC @ 254-699-8300 or 254-681-6622 after hours for appointment for showing. tfnb

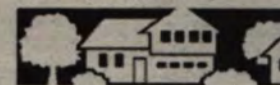
**For Lease 3BR 2 Ba Salado Schools**. No smokers, Pets considered \$1,100 month Sarah Lee Realty, Inc. 947-1011. tfnb

**New Salado Duplex, 2 BR, 2 BA**, Garage, Privacy fence available. \$795 Water paid. Call 289.1877 3/19b

**Residential or Commercial** Just south of Salado truckstop. 16210 FM 2115 2-1 Farm house As is \$375 per month also 16207 S IH 35. 1-1 house or office \$350 per month. 254-933-9787 3/26p

**New country duplex in Salado, 2 BR 2 BA** garage, refrigerator, water paid. \$795 month. \$400 deposit. 254-716-6135 tfnb

## Rent or Lease



**3 BR 2 1/2 BA in Mill Creek**. No pets. No Smoking, \$950 month. Call Bill at 947-5050 tfnf

## Commercial



**Green Acres Business Park** located on IH 35, between Belton & Salado.

**Available now:** 1200 sf Insulated Metal Bldg. Water & electricity furnished. Fenced in gravel parking lot.

**Available:** 1800 sf electricity & water furnished. Small office. Fenced gravel parking lot.

**Available Now:** Parking lot, ground storage & build to suit opportunities Call Lynn Renfro 254-770-7280 tfnb

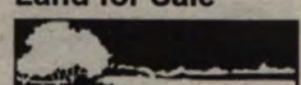
**Main Street Art Gallery available** 947-5025 tfnb

**Building for Lease:** Red historical barn that's been renovated for home or business. 1600 sq. ft. \$2,000 month rent, next to Horsefeathers. Call 947-3240 and ask for Robert or Diana. tfnb

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We won't have a society if we destroy the environment.  
—Margaret Mead  
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Education is hanging around until you've caught on.  
—Robert Frost  
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## Land for Sale



**Attn: Veterans 5 AC- \$39,000**  
Beautifully wooded acreage w/gorgeous views near Historic Salado. Enjoy private owners park on Salado Creek. Paved county road, utilities, reasonable restrictions. Qualified for TX vet financing!  
Hurry, call 1-254-947-5901 ext. 622

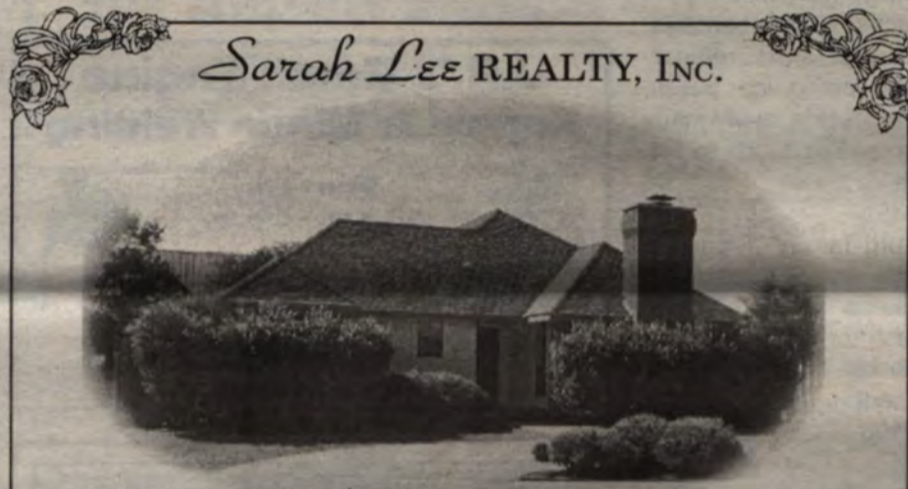
**Beautiful tree covered 12-44 acre tracts** in the gated, restricted Spear's Ranch Development between Salado and Georgetown. Contact Ronnie Tynes, Broker, (512) 461-3370. tfnb

**For Sale By Owner.** Many WOODED LOTS, Woods of Salado on FM 2484 near Lake Stillhouse. Rita Seghers 254-760-9663. tfnb  
**Two acre restricted**, wooded, lakeview home sites. Salado schools. Call Century 21 Bill Bartlett 254-947-5050 tfn

**Golf Course lot.** 1/3 of an acre in Mill Creek. Gorgeous setting in quiet neighborhood. Call for details. Jolie (agent) Keller Williams Realty. 512-794-6694 3/19p

**Creekfront Sale Steal My Creekfront! 2.63 acres reduced to \$65,900.** Beautiful trees, views on Willingham Creek, near historic Salado. On paved county road. w/power & phone. Enjoy 10.5 acre owners park on Salado Creek for swimming, fishing and family fun. Financing. Call now 1-254-947-5901 ext. 703 3/26p

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If a child lives with approval, he learns to live with himself.  
—Dorothy Law Nolte  
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**Brazos Court - Golfers Choice!** Just across the street from pro-shop and swimming pool. Roomy BR/2BA/2 car garage, patios and courtyards off all dining and bedroom. Great design for easy living & leisure! Affordably priced. **\$125,000.**



**Carriage House Estates**  
Beautiful stained glass designed especially for the decor of the elegant custom built home. huge master suite includes study and bath fit for a king and his queen! Gourmet kitchen with its open design features wrap around breakfast or buffet bar perfect for entertaining. Looking for something really special? See this one! \$299,000.



**Old Mill Road - Travel in your future?** Keep your fine "home away from home", RV in your own full sized garage right here next to your lovely early Texas home & guest cottage. Porches, roomy country kitchen, 9' ceilings, quiet seclusion just a short stroll from golf. Could make it hard to leave home! A rare property! **\$189,500.**



**Bluffs at Mill Creek - Salado Creek and Mill Creek Golf Course** presented at their best! View them from the master bedroom, breakfast room and expansive deck of this gorgeous Bluffs home. 10' ceilings, elaborate interior trims and design. 3 BR/2-1/2 BA, 2 car garage (oversized) Cul-de-sac location. **\$299,000.**



**New Listing! Home Place Lane -** Nestled among the vintage trees on its own private street this exquisite replica of the 1880's Folk Cottage is a waiting to comfort you and yours. The warmth of REAL PINE floor, restored antique fixtures and oak fireplace mantle. Just a few features that compliment this outstanding home. 2/BR/2BA/1 car garage. **\$159,000.**



**Whispering Oaks - Awesome lot!** Efficiently designed, all one level, 3/2/3 split bedroom plan with oversized fireplace centering the spacious "keeping room." Lovely quiet location. **New Price!!! \$149,500.**

**For Lease**  
**For Lease -** On fenced 3 acres - quiet! Just west of I-35 @ Tahuaya Rd. **\$1,195** per month.

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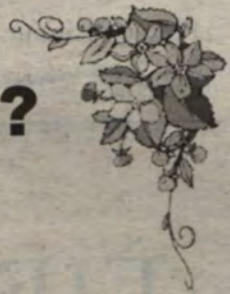
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# Century 21

## Looking for a Home?



### Bill Bartlett

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Salado, TX 76571

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#### Salado's Home Team

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Check out our Home Page  
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**\$127,800** - New construction in Salado Prairies. Three bedrooms PLUS an office. You will love the large arched entry into the breakfast/kitchen room. Large family room, large master bedroom, walk-in closet, Jacuzzi tub plus separate shower.



**\$229,500** - This home sits on 2 acres. 4 BR's allow this home to be very versatile. Split bedrooms provide you some privacy from guests or children. Kitchen opens into living room & breakfast area which makes this home a wonderful home to have friends over to visit. Three car garage, pool and cabana.



**\$159,900** - Great location...beautiful corner lot in Mill Creek. Large open kitchen, dining, living areas. Loft upstairs is perfect play room or T.V. room.



**\$498,500** - Located on #9 Fairway in Mill Creek, this home overlooks the golf course & Salado Creek. Perfect for entertaining, with two living, two dining, large kitchen, wet bar, butler's pantry, raised ceilings, fireplace. Master suite, hot tub, all downstairs. Upstairs is a game room, 2 BR/1 BA. Air conditioned office off the garage.



**\$186,500** - this home is known as the "Orange Lady's home". Wonderful views of Mill Creek Golf Course and Salado Creek. Eat breakfast overlooking the golf course, lounge in the living room as you watch the creek flow by, & enjoy the rippling water from your own master bedroom. Entertain guests in the large living room area. Nice floor plan. 3 BR, 2 BA, 2 living, 2 dining. First time this home has been on the market.



**\$152,000** - Heavily wooded lot in the middle of Mill Creek. View of Golf Course & creek from living room and deck. Large deck is surrounded by trees. 2 BR, 2 BA. Copper fireplace in living room adds flair to the home. Spiral staircase to upstairs BR is another interesting feature.



**\$175,000** - Mill Creek home surrounded by large trees. Numerous updates in 1992. New hardwood floors. Very nice den with lots of built-ins. Family oriented floor plan. A spa-type bath, handicap accessible. Heated floors & towel bars. Carpet and paint allowance.



**\$93,000** - Above-ground pool with decking makes this home perfect for the hot summer days to come. Corner fireplace in living room. Open kitchen, dining & living area provides a spacious room for your family. Built in 1999, this home in Temple features a tile entry, covered porch and fenced yard.

### Residential

- \$59,999 - Maintained & updated older home in Belton. Patio.
- \$93,000 - 3 B, 2 BA home in Temple w/deck & pool
- \$114,800 - New Construction! Tile, backsplash. 3BR/2 BA.
- \$119,500 - 3 BR, 2 BA home at the entrance of Mill Creek.
- \$127,800 - New in Salado Prairies. 3 BR plus an office.
- \$128,800 - New in Salado Prairies. Vaulted ceilings. 1 acre.
- \$143,500 - 1.83 acres. 3 BR/2BA with open living/dining area.
- \$149,900 - Neat, clean 3 BR/2BA. Formal dining. Shed.
- \$152,000 - Copper fireplace, spiral staircase on wooded lot.
- \$159,500 - 3 BR, 2 BA, island in kitchen. Mill Creek
- \$159,900 - Corner lot in Mill Creek. Loft upstairs.
- \$164,900 - Home in Live Oak Estates. Large Master BR.
- \$166,000 - Raised ceiling in living room. Landscaped yard.
- \$172,900 - Beautiful lot. In-ground pool. Split bedrooms.
- \$175,000 - Mill Creek home Spa-type bath, handicap access.
- \$186,500 - "Orange Lady's Home" fronts golf course & creek.
- \$189,000 - On golf course, overlooking creek. 2BR/2BA.
- \$189,800 - Mill Creek Springs. Architectural design, upgrades.
- \$197,800 - One story 3 BR, 2 BA ranch style on 1.6 acres.
- \$197,800 - Near the golf course. Engineered foundation.
- \$198,500 - Austin Stone on 2 acres. Study can be 4th BR.
- \$199,500 - At entrance to Mill Creek. Many possibilities.
- \$229,500 - Poolside, 2 acres, space for a motorhome. 4 BR
- \$240,000 - Showcase home in Mill Creek Springs - UC
- \$244,900 - Original B&B built on 13.34 acres. Greenhouse
- \$290,000 - Mediterranean home on 4 acres. Lakeview.

- \$339,000 - Mill Creek cul-de-sac. Bonus room above garage.
- \$349,000 - Mediterranean style home. Up to golf course.
- \$364,900 - Comfort and elegance. 4 BR/2.5 BA, 2 car garage.
- \$375,000 - Ranch-style Austin stone home on 29 acres.
- \$449,500 - Country Place B&B, 7 BR home, large barn.
- \$469,500 - 4 BR/4-1/2 BA Home. Game room, 3 car garage.
- \$498,500 - On #9 Fairway, overlooks golf course & creek.
- \$599,000 - Colonial style on 57 acres, guest house, barn.
- \$699,900 - Country living, pool, 7 acres, barn, workshop.

### Lots

#### Mill Creek Lots

- O.W. Lowrey - \$45,000
  - 808 Mill Creek Dr. - \$30,000
  - Mill Creek Springs - \$30 - \$75,000
  - 700 Indian Trail - \$30,000
  - 1014 Arrowhead Dr. - \$39,900
  - Jack Nicklaus Circle - \$90,000
  - Lot 1 Club Circle - \$49,800
  - Fletcher Ct. - \$69,000
  - Hester Way - \$55,000
- #### Other Lots
- Royal Oaks - \$30,000
  - Royal Oaks - \$35,900
  - Rita Bend Drive - \$39,900
  - Hidden Springs - Lot 111 • \$49,900, Lot 82 • \$83,000
  - Windy Hill Ranch - 2 acre lots - \$55,000 to \$90,000

### Commercial Property

- \$429,000 - 5.66 acres commercial property off Main Street.

### Acreage Available

- 140 acres located 4 miles Southwest of Jarrell. Part coastal, cultivation, well fenced, 2 stock ponds, lots of paved road frontage, pecan orchard. Huge metal implement bldg. with living quarters.
- 140 acres on Hwy 36 at Temple Airport, all or part.
- 50 acres in the heart of deer country, wooded, good road frontage.
- 38.78 acres on FM 2843, 8 mile west of IH-35, beautiful trees. \$190,000.
- 12 acres between Salado and Florence. All woods, spring, secluded, view. \$49,000.
- 9.87 acres near Youngsport. All woods, lovely view, lots of deer, community water, good road.
- 8.77 acres on I-35 at crossover with road on 3 sides, Exit 286 at Salado.
- 5.7 acres with long frontage on Lampasas River. Beautiful trees, lovely view of countryside.
- 5 wooded acres, perfect for a homesite. \$60,000.
- 5 acres heavily wooded, wet weather creek, large live oak trees. Close to Salado. \$70,000.
- 3 acres, all woods, good frontage, water available. Near Stillhouse Lake. Owner Financing. \$36,000.

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**Pending with Contingency**  
Tree covered lot, 4BR/3.25 BA, formal dining, study, security system and many extras. **\$238,000.**



Excellent commercial location on corner of West Village Road & IH 35 at Exit 285. **\$239,900.**



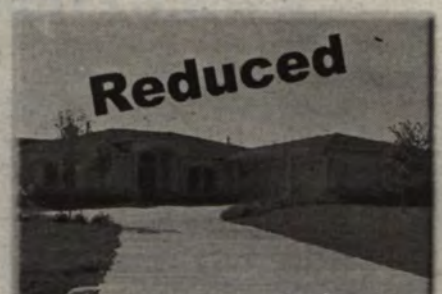
**3BR/2BA Brick home with metal roof. 60'x38' metal barn & 2 stalls on 2 acres. \$110,000.**



**Sold**  
New! Beautiful 3 BD/2 BA split bedroom plan. Security system, best area & formal dining. Reduced. **\$149,900.**



**3/2/2 formal dining, fireplace, walk to Mill Creek. Great location! \$159,000.**



**Reduced**  
"2002 Parade of Homes winner" Spectacular home located on the 15th fairway in Mill Creek. Granite countertops, surround sound, stainless steel appliances, glass shower, 8ft. doors and 10 to 14 ft. ceilings ~~\$359,900.~~ **\$329,900.**



**Under contract**  
A beautiful hilltop 3/2 home, manicured lawn overlooking 3rd fairway on 13.42 acres. Numerous windows and a huge covered deck, outstanding views. Foliage and trees enhance the beauty of the home supplying shade from the hot summer sun. **\$439,000.**



Authentic Texas style home on approx. 11 acres on Hillside. 4/2/3, extra large living room with great fireplace, kitchen with stove top and woodburning stove, 7 stall barn, new roof. **\$195,000.**



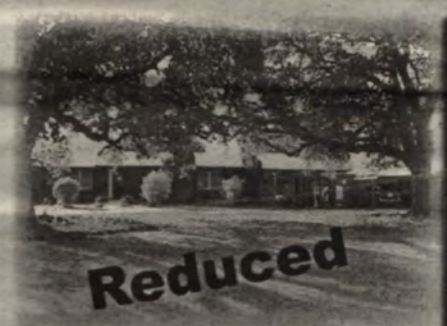
Approx. 5 partially wooded acres with a 4/3, red brick home featuring large living/den with fireplace opening to a large kitchen. Exhilarating in-ground pool and hot tub. Additional acreage can be purchased up to 63 acres. **\$279,000.**



Charming Country Home in Salado. Sit on your front porch and enjoy your corner lot all for only **\$119,900.**



**Under contract**  
Custom Built 3/3+ Austin Stone Home with loft featuring tin roof, 36' x 60' barn, 3 stalls in front with runs, a 20 gallon hot water heater, a cement alley way in the barn and an above ground pool. **\$275,000.**



**Reduced**  
Country Living at its best! This 3BR/2BA home on 12 acres with barn, storage shed and workshop features hardwood floors, game room, hot tub covered patio and, to complete this beautiful package, century-old live oak trees. ~~\$220,900.~~ **\$225,000**



**Reduced**  
Absolutely amazing view of Salado from this home located in the prestigious Royal Oaks. Enjoy your huge living room with beautiful hardwood floors throughout the living area. 3/2/2 with study that could be used as a fourth bedroom. ~~\$279,900~~ **\$259,900.**



Secluded country home with over 4,400 SF in main house 5+ BR, 4 BA, 3 car garage, workshop, gameroom, storage and more 7-1/2 acres with an option on 3 additional acres. **\$437,000.**



Exquisite 4/3/2 on .868 acre lot in one of Salado's choice subdivisions. Formal and informals living & dining areas, beautiful view, custom landscaping, green house, garden room, hot tub, etc. **\$357,000.**

## Acreage Available

Lots w/ sewage & water on Shady Lane. **\$10,000/lot.**

Sand & Gravel Rd. - 2 one acre tracts. **\$17,500.**

Approximately 2 acres near golf course in Mill Creek. Beautiful trees. **\$38,995.**

2 acre lot southwest of Salado. Beautiful trees. Excellent homesite. **\$28,900.**

2 acre lot southwest of Salado. Beautiful trees. Excellent homesite. **\$27,900.**

2.7 acres fronting FM 2843. **\$29,900** or 1.35 acres for **\$20,000.**

3.018 acres on FM 2843 with large pecan

trees and live water on Butter Milk Creek. **\$39,900.**

3.52 acres, mostly wooded. **\$49,900.**

4 acres Southwest of Salado. Beautiful trees. Excellent homesite. **\$56,800.**

5.13 acres southwest of Salado. Beautiful trees. Excellent homesite. **Reduced to \$44,900.**

53 acres south of Salado. **\$2,990/acre.**

928 acres sw of Salado. Beautiful rolling tree country w/ live creek & large lake on property. Excellent views. Outstanding wildlife.

Three 250 acre tracts southwest of Salado. Beautiful rolling hills w/ large trees, live creek and water tank. Excellent views & deer

country. **\$2,500/acre.**

250 acres, 3 lakes hilltop views w approximately 60 acres of woods. **\$1,950/acre.**

425 acres, 3 lakes almost 2+ miles of road frontage. Approximately 40-50 acres of woods with balance of native pasture & fields. Roads on 3 sides. **\$1,950/acre.**

## Salado Lots

Indian Trail at Blaylock, lg corner lot, 90x188 - **\$36,000.**

Indian Trail - 90x188 - **\$34,000.**

Mill Creek Lot - **\$39,900.**

## Belton

Nice 2 BR/2BA doublewide with large living and formal dining. Fenced yard - **\$47,900.**

## Commercial

3 acres commercial property fronting I-35, Phase 3. **\$89,900.**

Excellent Commercial: location on corner of West Village Rd. & IH-35 at exit 285. - **\$239,900.**

## Salado Rental

3 BR/2BA old world charm. CA&H **\$950 per month.**

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